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Childs' Combination Catalogue for 1910

FLOWER SEEDS—
VEGETABLE SEEDS—
SUMMER BULBS—
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NEW FRUITS AND
DUTCH OR FALL
BULBS

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS
FLORAL PARK N.Y.

NEW HARDY EVERBLOOMING PINKS, see Page 104.

THE
WONDERBERRY
SEE PAGE 2 AND 3.

OUR SPECIAL BARGAIN OFFER COUPON

2 Full-Sized Packets of Tomatoberry Seed - Price 25 cts. } **Total Value**
1 Full Year's Subscription to The Ladies' World " 50 cts. } **75 cts.**

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TOMATOBERRY—The fruit of this remarkable garden plant is a beautiful bright crimson, growing in loose clusters of from 10 to 60, and just the size of a Concord Grape. It is delicious in taste, with a decided tomato flavor, and contains only a few small seeds. Fine for cooking and canning and exceptionally good for preserving. The plants may be given support and trained up to a considerable height, or allowed to sprawl over the ground. Habit of growth slender with distinct foliage. Enormously prolific. Seed planted in April or May make fine fruiting plants by August. Price of seed, 15c per pkt., or 2 pkts 25c. *See illustration and full description on page 44 of catalogue.*

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We consider THE LADIES' WORLD one of the best and most interesting home magazines in America, and cordially recommend it to our patrons. *See description on the back of this coupon.* If you decide to take advantage of our wonderfully liberal offer, write your name and address plainly on this coupon, in the space provided below, and return it to us, enclosing 50 cents to cover the same.

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Name..... P. O.....

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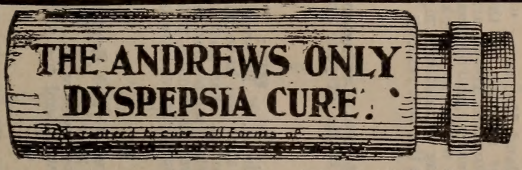
Read about THE LADIES' WORLD on the back of this coupon.

PRICE 25c.



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The Day You Begin Using Our Tablets.

Gives IMMEDIATE and PERMANENT relief, and it will both CORRECT and PREVENT any form of indigestion or stomach trouble, and correct all ailments incident to Dyspepsia.

It does not partly digest food like pepsin, but acts directly upon the stomach, strengthening and regulating it so that it is able to perform its natural functions and correct all sorts of troubles that are incident to indigestion.

GUARANTEED TO BE AS REPRESENTED OR MONEY RETURNED.

SPECIAL OFFER—Send us 25c. for one vial, or $1.00 for five, and if our tablets do not help you, we will return the money.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS' ENDORSEMENT.

Knowing the value of this wonderful remedy, and that it will do all that is claimed for it, I am glad to indorse it. Tens of thousands of people are suffering from Dyspepsia, who will rejoice to know of 'The Andrews Only Dyspepsia Cure,' and thousands have already been benefited, and cured by it.

See other side of this coupon for testimonials.

Address all orders, etc., to the

Absolute Remedy Company,
Floral Park, New York.

Special Rate for my Friends

I want my friends and patrons to have the best at the lowest price. Every seed buyer should take a practical farm paper, and I have therefore made arrangements with the

FARM JOURNAL

by which you may obtain this splendid paper on trial two full years for 35 cents. (Regular rate $1.00 for 5 years.) You will be delighted with it, and will thank me for introducing it to you. The Farm Journal is a gem. It is for the farmer, trucker, fruit grower, berry raiser, dairyman, poultryman, the villager, suburbanite, the woman folks and the boys and girls. It is clever, cheerful, practical, clean, honest, full of gumption and sunshine. When the time is up it will stop. Detach this coupon and mail with 35 cents in stamps for 2 years' trial direct to Farm Journal. Do it now.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

SEE OTHER SIDE

THE LADIES' WORLD

published by S. H. Moore Company (New York), is now in its 24th year of successful publication. It is through and through a woman's magazine; clean, wholesome and up-to-date, recognized as an authority on all matters pertaining to the domestic life of the home, and dealing in a practical way with every subject in which women are vitally interested. It is edited by CHARLES DWYER, and its Departments, comprising THE HOUSEHOLD, FAMILY PROBLEMS, ARTISTIC NEEDLEWORK, HEALTH AND GOOD LOOKS, THE WAYS OF SOCIETY and FASHIONS AND DRESSMAKING, are all conducted by experts. Its ILLUSTRATED FEATURE ARTICLES, SERIAL and SHORT FICTION and CHILDREN'S PAGES, are notable for their excellence. It numbers among its contributors for 1910 most of the high-class magazine writers of the day. It is profusely illustrated by artists of known reputation, and its handsome colored covers are a special feature. Each number contains from 36 to 56 large pages, 11 x 16 inches in size. It stands very high in its class, gives more for the money than any similar publication, and is conceded to be **the best magazine published at 50 cents per year,** comparing favorably with many magazines of double its subscription price. It goes regularly into more than half-a-million homes, which clearly demonstrates its great popularity. In its quarter-century of existence THE LADIES' WORLD has built a national reputation as *the* magazine positively and distinctively of the American home.

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Unsolicited Testimonials.

DR. CHAS. W. TAYLOR, Lowell, Mass., says: "I have used 'The Andrews Only Dyspepsia Cure' in my private practice, and it has cured when all other remedies failed."

Dr. Taylor is a graduate of Harvard Medical School, late Medical Examiner of Mass. Medical Society, and Physican of Mass. General Hospital, and City Hospital of Lowell.

DR. H. B. EATON, 23 Oak St., Rockland, Me., says: "I have used your Dyspepsia Cure in my practice for the past five years. I used it for Sour Stomach, Heartburn Water Brash, also spitting food after eating, and distress with pain and nausea. I find that it works very quickly, and I have no idea of ever being without it in my profession and can certainly say it is the best remedy I have ever used."

DR. JNO. R. DEERING, 25 Forest Ave., Lexington, Ky., writes: "Please mail me one bottle of your *excellent cure* for Dyspepsa.

DR. A. L. FOREMAN, Stockton, Cal., says: "I received a letter from my brother, Dr. A. W. Foreman, of White Hall, Ill., in which he said that you have the *only* remedy for Dyspepsia that he had ever used in his long practice of 40 years. He advised me to send for some to use in my practice, and I herewith enclose $2.00 for one dozen bottles. Should like the exclusive sale of it in Stockton and Sacramento."

MRS. ANNA FRENCH, 882 Elm Ave., Grand Rapids, writes: "Your tablets have done for me what the Doctors failed to do. I have suffered for years with dyspepsia, and never got relief, until now. Send me $1.00 worth.

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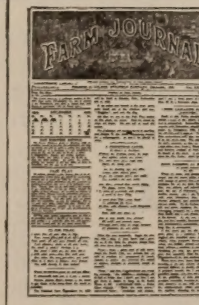
A. H. DECK, Spring Grove, Va., writes: "I have used one bottle of your remedy and never found its equal."



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John Lewis Childs, Floral Park, N. Y.

Dear Sir :—Enclosed find $_____, for which please send me the following articles by mail or express at your option, prepaid. (*Read General Instructions page 1 of Catalog.*)

If asked to ship only by Express we do not prepay charges but larger Plants, etc., will be sent.

Name (*write plain*) _____

Post Office _____

County _____ **State** _____

Name of Express Company _____ *Express Office* _____

Quantity.	ARTICLES WANTED.	Price.

Select Your Seed Premiums and Extras Free. We give 30 cts. worth of seed by packet or ounce for 25c. 60 cts. worth for 50 cts. $1.25 worth for $1.00. Therefore on each dollar's worth of seed by pkt. and oz. select 25 cts. worth of seed by pkt. or oz. extra. This applies only to seed by PKT. or OZ. and not to seed by pound, quart, bushel, or to Bulbs, Plants, Fruits, or anything else, and this premium must be taken in seed only.

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(Name of person or firm for whom order is intended)

Whose Address is } No. ..... Street

Post Office } FLORAL PARK,

State N. Y.

Sent by .....

(Name of Sender)

Address of sender } No. ..... Street

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When sending us money use this application. Take it to your Postmaster and procure a Money Order. If not a Money Order office send remittance by registered mail.

John Lewis Childs,

Seedsman and Florist,

Floral Park,

N. Y.

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Payable in the United States (which includes Hawaii and Porto Rico) and its possessions comprising the Canal Zone (Isthmus of Panama), Guam, the Philippines and Tutuila, Samoa; also for Orders payable in Bermuda, British Guiana, British Honduras, Canada, Cuba, Newfoundland, the United States Postal Agency at Shanghai (China), the Bahama Islands, and certain other Islands in the West Indies mentioned in Register of Money Order Post Offices.

For Orders From	$ 0.01 to $ 2.50	..... 3 cents.
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From	$20.01 to $ 30.00	.....12 cents.
From	$30.01 to $ 40.00	.....15 cents.
From	$40.01 to $ 50.00	.....18 cents.
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NOTE.—The maximum amount for which a single Money Order may be issued is $100. When a larger sum is to be sent additional Orders must be obtained. Any number of Orders may be drawn on any Money Order office: but, if Orders are drawn in excess of $200 on any one day upon an office of the 4th class, notice of the fact by letter (or Form 6037) is to be promptly sent the Department by the issuing Postmaster so that provision may be made for payment.

Applications must be preserved at the office of issue for four years from date of issue.

(EDITION Jan., 1909.)

Premiums, Extras or Discounts.

Select 25c. Worth of Seed Extra on Each Dollar's Worth.

We give 30c. worth of Seed by pkt. and oz. for 25c.; 60c. worth for 50c.; $1.25 worth for $1.00.

Therefore on each **DOLLAR'S WORTH** of Seed by packet and ounce select **25 cts.** worth of seed by pkt. or oz. extra.

This allows our customers to select their own "Extras," premiums, discounts, etc., and takes the place of all other "Extras," discounts or gratuities. Remember this offer applies only to seed by **PACKET** and **OUNCE**, and not to seed by lb., quart or bushel, or to bulbs or plants, fruits or anything else offered in this catalogue.

PLEASE NOTE OUR GREAT ARRAY OF

FLOWER SEEDS. Extra choice and select, on *yellow paper*, which begin on page 5 and run to page 44. These are the best varieties and finest strains that the world affords.

VEGETABLE SEEDS, on *pink paper*, pages 45 to 77, present a choice, select list of the very cream of all varieties.

SUMMER-FLOWERING BULBS, and HARDY PLANTS, (*green paper,*) are offered on pages 78 to 108. Here are presented the choicest varieties and finest stock. Note our Superb Gladiolus.

PLANTS AND FRUITS cover 32 pages—109 to 140, (*violet paper*). Here you will find the finest Window Plants and Rare New Fruits of exceptional merit.

HARDY BULBS FOR FALL PLANTING, (*white paper,*) pages 141 to 152, all the best Holland or Hardy Bulbs for planting out in the fall.

There must be a feeling of confidence on the part of the people towards any house doing business through the agency of a Catalogue, otherwise the house cannot succeed. We have devoted 35 years to building up a business of this kind. From the start, in 1875, with a dozen customers, to 1910, with half a million, our goods have stood the test of time and experience, and enjoyed an unprecedented reputation. That we have the largest patronage of any house of its kind in the world is because our goods are known, and because it is known that a 25-cent order receives the same careful attention as a $25.00 order, our object being to please our customers (large or small) in every instance.

THE WONDERBERRY

has made good the world over, and everything claimed for it by Luther Burbank and ourselves has been more than realized.

It is positively the ***GREATEST*** new Fruit and the best ***NOVELTY*** of modern times.

These are facts which no one can get away from. ***THE PROOFS ARE OVERWHELMING IN NUMBER AND CONCLUSIVE IN CHARACTER.***

Our IMPROVED WONDERBERRY, or SUNBERRY, is still better.

READ all about it on pages 2 and 3.

READ "THE CRIME OF THE WONDERBERRY" on page 136.

READ testimonials from well-known and reputable people on pages 137, 138, 139 and 140.

After growing two acres of the Wonderberry in 1908, we, last year, introduced it to the world with our unqualified endorsement. After supplying seed to more than 300,000 people, and growing four or five acres of it again the past season, we can say that it is the **greatest** and most **satisfactory** thing we ever **introduced** or **sold.** It will be among fruits what our Rudbeckia Golden Glow is among flowers. Everybody will grow it.

FOUR UNUSUALLY FINE NOVELTIES,

SHOWN ON THIS COLORED PLATE.

Dimorphotheca Aurantiaca.

This is the very best, entirely new and distinct, garden annual that has been introduced in a generation. It comes from South Africa and is of very easy culture anywhere. The plants, of very neat branchy habit, grow about 12 to 15 inches high and are exceedingly profuse in flowering. Its blossoms show a unique glossy rich orange-gold, which brilliant coloring is rendered the more conspicuous by the dark colored disc surrounded by a black zone. This splendid annual is well adapted for groups or borders, it produces its pretty flowers very early after being planted out in the open ground and will continue to flower during the summer months. A bed in full bloom is a magnificent sight on bright days. Seed may be started under glass or sown in the open ground. It is a glorious thing. Pkt. 15c.

Calliopsis Radiata.

Two colors mixed, a rich dark brown red, and tiger star, the same color freely spotted with gold. The plant is very, very dwarf, compact and symmetrical, and a perfect bouquet of bloom all the time. One of the prettiest and most charming things ever saw. Sow seed early in open ground. Pkt. 15c.

Blue Petunia, Norma.

A magnificent free flowering Petunia with rich velvety blue blossoms with a central star of pure white. The size of this white star varies in different plants, in some large, in others small. It is a superb thing, and a most novel color in Petunias. Fine alike for bedding and for pots. Don't miss it. Pkt. 15c.

Linum Perenne, Quick Flowering.

This is a strain of the grand old L. Perenne, a hardy perennial. This new form flowers freely the first summer from seed and is a beautiful thing. Its peculiar beauty cannot be described; it must be seen. It sends up numerous stems, which send out long, wiry branches, which are clothed with a growth of small, almost hair-like foliage. At the tips of the branches are poised large, silver-shaped blossoms, borne with such airy grace that they appear to be floating in the air. The effect is charming. Sow seed early and plants will soon be in bloom. Two colors mixed, blue and white. Pkt. 15c.

For 50c. we will send one pkt. each of the above 4 wonderful novelties.

PETUNIA "NORMA"
DIMORPHOTHECA.
CALLIOPSIS RADIATA.
NEW EARLY LINUM PERENNE.

Greetings---1910

IT IS always a matter of justifiable pride when one reaches the head of his profession or business calling. We are no exception to the rule. Our claim to doing the largest business in our line of any house in the world can be substantiated by figures, and we are willing to give them. Several other houses lay claim to this distinction, and while their business may be large, and they may be worthy of all they get, they are mistaken. The following facts and figures will probably show that our business is at least double that of the next largest. We issued last year (1909) 1,210,000 Catalogues, including both spring and fall. During the twelve months from September 1, 1908, to September 1, 1909, we received 436,814 orders with remittances. The first edition of this Catalogue of 152 pages is 700,000. Later editions of it will greatly increase the output.

Our gardens at Floral Park, Long Island, (just outside the city limits of Greater New York) cover several hundred acres. Six hundred acres at Flowerfield, Long Island, which, with our gardens at South Pasadena, California, aggregate about 1,000 acres, all the property of Mr. Childs. Our warehouses, offices and greenhouses cover several acres, and we own a complete printing plant where all our Catalogues and other job work is printed. The village of Floral Park was founded by Mr. Childs and built up by his industries to a large and thriving town.

What is the significance of all this? Public confidence acquired by thirty-five years of dealings through the agency of a Catalogue. Our goods have stood the test of time and experience, and our methods of dealing have been satisfactory to our customers. This has been made possible by the fact that the business is owned and controlled solely and absolutely by one man. His ideas and ideals have always dominated to the minutest detail, and they stand for the highest and best in both goods and methods. Such an attainment could hardly be possible in a firm where there were several owners, with varying ideas and varying interests.

In view of all that two or three enemies of Luther Burbank have said about him and his Wonderberry, our friends will find pages 2, 3, 136, 137, 138, 139 and 140 well worth reading.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.

What We Do.

We Take the Risk.—We guarantee that all money sent us shall reach us, if sent by Post Office or Express Company's Money Order, Bank Drafts, Bills or Coin by Registered Letters. We will not be responsible for coin sent in ordinary letters, or for postage stamps.

Free by Mail or Express.—We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE BY MAIL OR EXPRESS at the prices named in this Catalogue. This brings them to the very doors of our customers without trouble or expense. Of course we must have the privilege of sending either by mail or express as we deem best and cheapest.

When buyer asks that goods be sent only by express we do not prepay the charges, but larger and better Plants, Shrubs, etc., can be sent that way—and we add extras to help out in costs.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again. We also guarantee everything true to name.

We Pack all Plants carefully in strong boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest part of the country or abroad.

We Fill all orders as soon as received, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it, booked for shipping at a later date, should state the fact.

To Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand, Newfoundland, Great Britain, Germany, Japan, Philippines, most of the **countries of South and Central America,** and the **West India Islands,** we can send goods in large parcels by mail, prepaid. In fact we can do this to nearly all foreign countries.

Discounts—For every dollar's worth of seed by *packet or ounce*, buyer may select 25c. worth of seed extra. On all orders for Bulbs, Plants and Fruits amounting to $3,00 or more, ten per cent. discount.

What Buyers Should Do.

Forward Money with the order, and at our risk, when sent by Post-Office Money Order on Floral Park; greenbacks or gold or silver coin, by Registered Letter; Bank Draft or express company's Money Order. Post-Office Money Orders are by far the cheapest and the safest method for remitting, and nearly all post-offices issue them. The fee on a Money Order is only 3 or 5 cents for small sums. We earnestly request our patrons to remit by Money Order if possible.

Stamps and Coin.—Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods if it can be avoided. Letters often get damp in transit, causing stamps when enclosed to stick together and to the order, frequently resulting in the destruction of both. We shall return such as come in bad order. Coin, when sent in letters, should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper or cloth, to prevent its breaking through the envelope, which is often the case when enclosed loose. *We will not be responsible for Coin sent to us except in Registered Letter, nor for Stamps.*

Write Your Order plainly and distinctly by itself and not mixed up with anything else you may wish to say. Those who send a neat, plainly written order will be sure to have it filled correctly and with despatch. Be sure to write your NAME and ADDRESS plainly.

Order Early.—We strive to fill all orders within a day or two after they reach us, but this is frequently made impossible by a great rush of business about planting time. Do not wait until you need your seeds and bulbs before ordering. Anticipate planting time and order early.

IMPORTANT—It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent and the amount of money enclosed, and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter and fill the duplicate order with despatch. *No inquiries will receive attention which do not contain duplicate, etc., as here required.*

The Wonderberry is the most valuable new garden fruit known to this generation. We make this statement not because WE think so, and LUTHER BURBANK thinks so, but on the verdict of the people at large, who grew it last season, as voiced in thousands of glowing testimonials (see pages 136 to 140). All the malicious and untruthful reports on the Wonderberry sent out by a few envious small fry in horticulture for the purpose of discrediting Luther Burbank (the originator) has had the degree of success that might attend a tumble-bug in trying to stem the ocean's tide with a pellet of mud. Never has such a great Novelty been so maligned, and never has one so handsomely measured up to all the claims made for it.

Our first crop of Wonderberry was grown from catefully selected stock seed and from this large crop (two acres we selected seed from two or three plants which showed positive advancement in size, bearing and quality. Plants from this seed was grown in a greenhouse during winter and another selection of seed made from a few plants which showed still greater advancement. From this stock our 1909 crop of seed was grown, the strain showing still further improvement. This we are now offering under the name of SUNBERRY or IMPROVED WONDERBERRY, and in size, flavor and productiveness it certainly is a great improvement over the excellent original type. Mr. Burbank always thought the name Sunberry better than Wonderberry, and he is right, for to get best results it should be grown in full sun.

We are this year offering only the Improved Wonderberry or Sunberry, and it can be had of no one else.

The Sunberry or Improved Wonderberry.

(SOLANUM BURBANKI)

THIS is Luther Burbank's newest and greatest production; a luscious berry that may be grown and ripened from seed in any soil or climate in three months. Fruit more like a great, rich, luscious blueberry than anything else. Blue-black in color, fine in flavor and unsurpassed for eating raw, cooked, canned or preserved in any form. It is easily the greatest new garden fruit ever introduced, and equally valuable for the North, South, East or West, or, in short, any part of the world. People (in any climate) can with a few plants of the Sunberry have an abundance of luscious berries for family use or for market during the entire summer and fall; or all the year by canning and preserving. Plants not only begin to ripen fruit early, but continue to ripen great quantities until checked by hard frosts. (They stand early fall frosts.) In mild climates, or with protection, the roots do not winter-kill, but send up a new strong growth early each spring which is soon fruiting. The Sunberry or Wonderberry is the greatest boon to the family garden ever known and will be grown in every garden in the land. Also as a pot plant it is both good and ornamental, fruiting heavily all times of year, but the fruit may lack flavor and this method is not to be recommended.

Mr. Burbank says:- "The Wonderberry which you (Mr. Childs) are offering is a new fruiting plant which originated on my grounds three (now four) years ago. This new fruit was not in existence anywhere on this planet five years ago. It is of great scientific interest, having been produced by the combination of two very distinct wild species, Solanum guinense of West Africa and Solanum villosum of the West Coast of America. Neither of these wild species bear edible berries but this new species bears the most delicious, wholesome and healthful berries (like blueberries) in the utmost profusion and always comes exactly true from seed."

We have also discovered that foliage of the Wonderberry, especially the Improved or Sunberry, makes most delicious greens, and it is worth growing for this purpose alone.

CULTURE. The Sunberry is the easiest thing in the world to grow. Start seed early, like Tomatoes, and transplant to the garden at the proper time. Set plants three feet apart each way. Does not grow high, but has a spreading habit. A poor sandy soil is best as there is less foliage growth but a big crop of berries which are very sweet if they ripen up with full sun exposure. Berries will last two months on the plant after ripening, growing better all the time. Will keep a month after being picked. Seed may also be sown in the open ground at any time, early or late.

QUALITY of the Sunberry or Improved Wonderberry is very sweet and delicious when fully ripe. Like the grape it should have time to ripen well *after* turning black in full sun. Size of berries reach about ½ inch in diameter. Skin which may seem a little tough in a raw state cooks tender. Seeds small, ¼ the size of Tomato seed, and cook soft, and are not noticeable.

PRODUCTIVENESS. The Improved Wonderberry or Sunberry begins ripening fruit in about three months from seed. It continues to bloom, set and ripen berries in large quantity until long after early fall frosts. It is not unusual to take one to two quarts of ripe berries from a single plant at one picking. Early in Oct. we lifted a single plant from our patch and, before witnesses, picked from it 10,375 green and ripe berries which measured five quarts. Had all matured there would have been fully eight quarts of fruit. It is simply marvelous.

PRICE OF SEED of the Sunberry or Improved Wonderberry, is 20c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 50c.; 7 for $1.00. With every packet of seed we send a pamphlet giving 100 receipts for cooking and using the fruit.

PRICE OF PLANTS—After May 1st and until July we will be prepared to ship (by mail) thrifty seedling plants for outdoor planting, as follows: 6 for 30c.; 12 for 50c.; 25 for $1.00. Orders may be booked and the plants sent when desired.

Uses of the Wonderberry.

Mr. Walter N. Pike, a noted Horticulturist and well-known writer on horticultural topics, says the Wonderberry is the greatest cooking fruit in the world. Mrs. Pike is a noted home cook and particularly expert in handling fruits--canning, preserving, etc. During the past season Mr. and Mrs. Pike cooked several bushels of Wonderberries, experimenting in various ways, and have kindly contributed receipts for using this fruit which we have printed in pamphlet form and shall give one out with each packet of Improved Wonderberry seed we sell this season, Mrs. Pike has proved that there is no conceivable way of using or cooking fruit to which the Wonderberry is not adapted, Fine in any form, and in many ways superior to any other fruit or berry.

Raw—When fully ripe the berries are delicious to pick and eat from the vines, being decidedly sweet. A fine table fruit and may be used with cream and a little sugar.

Greatest Pie Berry—More than ten thousand people have said that the Wonderberry makes the most delicious pies of any fruit. There is not a dissenting voice to this, and the verdict must stand.

Cooked—Cooked in any way they are fine, and being so sweet require but very little sugar.

Canned—As a canned fruit it is available for all sorts of uses all times of year.

Preserved, Spiced, Pickles, Jam, Etc.—It is superior to any other berry.

Syrup—The most delicious syrup I ever tasted was made from Wonderberries boiled and strained, with sugar.

Wine—One grower esteems it as a delicate wine, and tells how to make it.

Greens—The young succulent branches of the Sunberry, bearing wholesome and nutritious leaves, may be cut and cooked for greens and for this purpose are very fine, having that slight bitter flavor that makes the Dandelion so much liked and so healthful. A few plants will furnish an unlimited supply all the season. If the plant bore no fruit it would be worth growing for greens alone.

Remember when you buy a packet of Sunberry or Improved Wonderberry seed you get with it a pamphlet with 100 receipts for using the fruit.

How an Honest Person Might Misjudge the Wonderberry.

Sown early in pots the Wonderberry begins to fruit when only a few inches high and will ripen a few berries in a remarkably short time from seed, but they will be insignificant in both size and flavor and most people would not care particularly for it. Given more time the fruit will improve in quality, but will never be half so good as when grown out of doors. Again, when grown outside the berries are not at their best if eaten as soon as they turn black. Like a Grape, they should have time to sweeten up. Under these conditions the Wonderberry is liable to be misjudged, but give the berries plenty of time to ripen on plants fully exposed to the sun and no one will fail to like it and pronounce it sweet and delicious. For this reason plants in a poor soil produce the highest-flavored fruit, as there is less branch and foliage growth to shade it. They will also be easily picked. When grown in a tangled mass gathering is more difficult and ripening much retarded. Also in a pot the Wonderberry grows upright and has some resemblance to Solanum nigrum (Nightshade), though not much when the two plants are compared. Outside the habit is wide and spreading and entirely unlike either Solanum nigrum or the worthless Garden Huckleberry. The Wonderberry, the Tomato, the Potato and the Egg Plant all belong to the Solanum family. Solanum nigrum has the reputation of being poisonous, but it is no more so than an Egg Plant or Potato under rare conditions,

Read Testimonials on pages 136-137-138-139-140.
Read the "Crime of the Wonderberry" on page 136.

Agents Wanted--Big Cash Prizes.

We want one or more agents in every village, town, city or hamlet of the world to sell seed of the Sunberry, and offer some liberal cash prizes to those who sell the most, as noted below. We sell the seed to agents at 10c. per packet. They may retail it at 20c. per packet (and thus make a profit of 10c. on every packet), or any price they wish, and every agent is a competitor for the cash premiums offered.

Terms to Agents—Our terms to agents are as follows: The first order must be for not less than ten packets at 10c. per packet, or $1.00. With this seed we will send some illustrated pamphlets describing the fruit which will help materially in selling it. Those who send an order for ten packets or more will have their names entered as competitors for the special cash prizes, and all additional orders they send will be added to the total of their sales. There are thousands of people with an abundance of time who can make several dollars a day selling seed of the Sunberry in their neighborhood. *We will sell no seed at 10c. per packet except to those who intend to act as agents, and their first order must be for at least 10 packets.*

Cash Prizes—We offer the following cash prizes to those who will undertake to sell seed of the Sunberry in their neighborhood or elsewhere.

First Cash Prize	$300
Second " "	$200
Third " "	$100
Ten next largest	$25 each

$2,000 Cash Prizes for Sunberry Plants Bearing Most Berries.

First	$500.00
Second	400.00
Third	300.00
Fourth	200.00
Fifth	100.00
Ten next largest	$ 50.00 each

Above cash prizes will be paid by us immediately after November 1, 1910, for plants bearing the greatest number of berries. To determine this all who wish to compete should write us on October 31st (not later) that they have a plant yielding a certain number of berries. Green and immature fruits may be counted as well as ripe ones, and those that have dropped off should also be counted, and the fruit stems will show where berries grew. After canvassing these reports we will ask those who have apparently won to send us their prize plant, which may be dried or green. The plant will show the stems of the berry clusters and enable us to verify the claim, even if most of the fruits have fallen off. The plant must be whole, except root, and all branches intact. To save unnecessary trouble to our customers we will say that a Sunberry plant under good conditions in this locality will bear more than 10,000 berries. So if your best plant cannot beat this save yourself the trouble of entering it for a prize.

All plants must be grown from seed purchased from us this year.

$10,000.00 Cash for a Distinct New Sunberry.

We will pay Ten Thousand Dollars cash for a new Sunberry showing valuable, new, distinct and superior points. Such a new form is liable to appear with any one as a "sport" or "freak." The Sunberry being a hybrid is liable to "sport" in many ways, and we are expecting to hear that some one has found among their seedling plants one of distinct and novel qualities. A seedling might happen to bear fruit as large as a cherry, or a white or red fruit instead of black, or a habit of growth in the plant that would be a great improvement—possibly, a tall upright grower or a climber. Watch your plants for any new departure, and if you are the lucky one to strike a real valuable novelty this summer you can get $10,000 from us for it.

The PARK.
"BRICK BULB HOUSE"
NEW FIRE-PROOF SEED STORE.
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SUMMER HOUSE in PARK.
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PRINTING PUBLISHING HOUSE
GREENHOUSES, SEC. No 2.
RESIDENCE AND CONSERVATORIES in PARK.
GREENHOUSES SEC. No 1.

NOVELTIES AND SPECIALTIES IN
CHOICE SELECT FLOWER SEEDS.

Our Special Improved Strains of Leading Annuals, Perennials and Climbers.

The Most Worthy Late Introductions, Including Novelties of this year. Only Select Seed of Improved Strains Offered.

The ordinary commercial grades of flower seeds, such as are usually sold, can be and are sold at a very low price. They are grown and harvested in large crops, much like grain. They are produced cheaply, sold cheaply, and are, in fact, cheap in every sense of the word; and he who sows them has no right to complain at their poor quality. They cannot possibly be anything but poor. Seed of high quality can be produced only by thorough, careful, painstaking and expensive methods. We do not offer our customers the ordinary commercial grades of seeds. Our stocks are special strains of special varieties bred up to the highest mark of perfection and selected with great care, and for this reason we grow and offer but a limited number of varieties, —only those which are of the greatest merit and sure to give satisfaction everywhere. The very best varieties, bred up to an unequalled mark of perfection, has made our seeds famous the world over.

We sell only select stocks of special varieties, including Annuals, Climbers, Perennials, etc.

For the best summer display the garden is dependent upon flowers which are grown from seed sown every year. There are thousands of varieties, some good, some indifferent, but the great majority are poor, or in some respects unsatisfactory and not desirable for general cultivation. With a view to offering our customers only the very best varieties, those which cannot fail to produce good results in every part of the country, we have for years carefully grown, tested and selected to ascertain what sorts possessed superior merits. The list here presented is the result of our labor. It contains the very best of all sorts, and all which are really and generally desirable. We might offer one hundred varieties of Asters or fifty varieties of Balsams, Phloxes, Poppies, etc., but there would be no advantage in so doing. On the other hand, it would be a decided disadvantage, for our customers might therefore fail to select the best kinds.

For the convenience of our customers we have classified our Flower Seed under several different headings, such as Annuals—Hardy Garden Plants blooming first year—Seed of Bulbous Plants—Ornamental Climbers—Hardy Perennials—Seed of Window or Greenhouse Plants, etc.

Annuals, such as Asters, Balsams, Petunias, Verbenas, Zinnias, etc., begin on this page. Here are the choicest varieties and finest seeds to be had.

Seed of Hardy Garden Plants, which bloom first year, yet survive the winter and flower still better the second season. Among them are the finest Daisies, Dianthus, the glorious New Blue Butterfly Delphiniums, and the exquisite Multiflora Roses, and Tom Thumb Platycodon.

Ornamental Climbers cover several pages, beginning at 29. Our Morning Glories, Nasturtiums, etc., are immense.

Miscellaneous Seed, such as Cannas and Dahlias, Water Lilies, Anemone, Freesias, Gladiolus, etc., follow on page 32. Seedlings of these are very beautiful and bloom early.

Hardy Perennials, seed producing plants which flower the second year, come next, where will be found the best Hollyhocks, Garden Pinks, Sweet William, etc. They are exceedingly beautiful, while many of them are among the brightest gems of the floral kingdom. As a rule, they bloom early in the spring, when the garden is almost destitute.

Choice Seed of Window Plants cover 7 pages beginning at 37. Here are the choice gems for pot culture, and our strains of all, Geraniums, Heliotropes, Abutilons, Cyclamen, Primroses, etc., are unsurpassed.

Culture.—As a rule flower seed may be sown in the open ground about corn-planting time, or they may be started in the house or in hot-beds earlier and transplanted to the garden when danger of frosts is over. A rather light and moderately rich soil, thoroughly spaded, is most desirable. Do not grow plants too thickly. Keep the weeds down and the surface of the soil well stirred with a hoe or rake during the summer, especially if the weather is dry. Pretty effects are produced by massing different colors in Asters, Phloxes, Zinnias, Verbenas, etc., yet mixed colors are always showy and pleasing.

CHOICEST GARDEN ANNUALS.

Ageratum.

One of the most useful and profuse-blooming plants known. Its very name, "Ageratum," meaning ever young, refers to its being in bloom and to the long time each flower remains in beauty. A single head of Ageratum will remain fresh and perfect for a month in the open air and from six weeks to three months in the window or greenhouse, where not exposed to storm and wind. This makes the Ageratum almost indispensable for house or garden.

Little Gem—A beautiful border variety. A sheet of delicate blue flowers the whole season; compact habit. 5

Princess Louise—A lovely dwarf everbloomer, crowded with flowers every day in the year. As a pot plant it is perfectly charming, and bedded out it flowers profusely from May till killed by frost. Flowers borne in dense clusters, lovely sky blue with a clear white center. The most beautiful Ageratum known, and one of the very choicest of flowering plants, thriving under any and all conditions.....10

New Hybrids—Variety of colors and habit, all extra good. Some will be white, other blue; some blue with white center or white with a blue center 10

Anchusa Capensis.

A rare and little known annual of great beauty. It is a lifelong favorite with everyone who grows it. It resembles a large, beautiful For-get-me-not, though much finer in every respect, especially for bouquets and cut-flowers. Color, a most lovely shade of deep clear blue, with a pure white center. Blooms early and it continues all summer..... 5

Asters.

The acknowledged queen of autumn annuals. Indispensable for the flower garden, fine as a show plant for fairs and exhibitions, and charming pot plants. Very profuse bloomers, with exceedingly beautiful flowers of the most exquisite colors and almost perfect form. There are several forms of Asters, some being imbricated like the Rose, some loose and globular like a Peony, while others are partly incurved like the Chrysanthemum. In regard to height they are classified as tall, half-dwarf and dwarfs. The tall varieties are fine for the center of large beds and for cutting as their flowers are borne on long stems; the dwarfs are particularly fine for borders or masses of one color, as they are so compact and bloom so profusely as to seem like so many bouquets set in the ground; the semi-dwarfs are good for all purposes, and extra fine for pot culture.

It is a good plan to make two or more successive sowings, two weeks apart, to prolong the season of bloom; seeds can be sown in hot-beds or house and afterwards transplanted, or they can be sown in open ground. In hot dry weather, mulch liberally with old manure or coarse litter, and do not let them suffer for water. Our list of varieties is a fine one. There is not a poor sort among them all. Per pkt.

Giant-Branching Comet -A superb new Aster, growing 18 inches high, with enormous flowers borne on long graceful stems. The plant branches freely carrying from 20 to 40 of its magnificent flowers. Each flower is as double and perfect as a Peony, 5 to 6 inches in diameter, with center filled with a charming whorl of petals after the true comet style. All colors mixed.....15

Giant-Branching Comet, Pure White—Very fine.....15

Giant-Branching Upright, White—A grand white Aster with enormous double blossoms.....10

Giant Comet—The plants are tall and of much vigor, while the flowers are of such extraordinary size that they may without contest be said to be the largest of any in existence. Flowers are formed of large twisted and curled petals, and look exactly like the most refined forms of Japanese Chrysanthemum. They must therefore take first place among Asters of unique beauty. Many colors mixed.....10

Giant Comet, White—Immense size, snow white.....15

Giant Comet, Sulphur Yellow—Superb.....15

Japanese—New Asters of great size and beauty, like Japanese Chrysanthemums. They are of immense size, measuring from five to six inches across, with long petals curiously waved and curled, so as to give them a striking resemblance to the Chrysanthemum. It is a vigorous growing plant, fourteen or fifteen inches high, well branched, and producing quite a number of these enormous flowers.....10

Semple's Marvel—A new American Aster of wonderful beauty and profusion. Plants grow 20 inches high, branch freely in an upright manner, producing a great number of magnificent blossoms on long stems. The flowers are very double and perfect, and possess the richest colors. They bloom a little later than most kinds and escape the ravages of the Aster beetle. One of the good recent novelties. Per pkt.

Semple's Marvel, Crimson.....10
" " **Delicate Pink**.....10
" " **Pure White**.....10
" " **Rich Purple**.....10
" " **Lavender**.....10
" " **Mixed, Many Fine Colors**.....10

One packet each of the six for 40c.

Daybreak—A sport from the celebrated Branching Aster, bearing immense Peony-like double blossoms of the loveliest sea-shell pink color. No other Aster produces such large and beautiful blossoms in such reckless profusion, and their lasting qualities are such that when cut and placed in water they will keep two weeks.10

Vick's Branching, Pure White—A strong grower, of branching habit, and continues to grow and bloom later in the season than any other variety. The flowers are very large, often four inches in diameter, borne on long stems, adding greatly to their value for vases and bunches. The petals are more or less twisted or curled in such a manner as to give the blooms the appearance of large, graceful Chrysanthemums. Fine for cutting..10

Vick's Branching, Mixed Colors—Like the above, but of several different colors.....10

Dwarf Victoria, Mixed Colors—Equally good for bedding, pots or exhibition. Plants one foot in height, the foliage almost hidden by the plumy flowers, three or four inches in diameter, of the most beautiful form and the most exquisite colors to be found.....10

Quilled German—Plants tall and branching, flowers beautifully quilled, and noted for the clearness of their colors. Profuse bloomers. Mixed colors..... 5

New Rose—Tall sorts about two feet in height. One of the very best varieties, and a profuse bloomer. Outer petals are full recurved and inner petals beautifully incurved and imbricated like the Rose. Mixed colors...10

Trauffaut's Peony-Flowered—A valuable and standard variety. The most perfect Peony type known. Tall growing, and bearing an enormous quantity of extra large double flowers beautifully incurved and of every shade from pure white to glowing crimson..... 5

Pink Branching—A beautiful variety of the large branching type, with large flowers, the color of a bright Daybreak Carnation. Stems long and stiff. A grand Aster for cutting purposes, and for vase or decorative purposes of any kind it is unexcelled. Its color is simply superb and the flowers large and very full and double..10

America—Not often do we have such a really superb Novelty to offer as this. It is an Aster with enormous double blossoms the exact color of Gladiolus America, a most exquisite though utterly indescribable light lavender-tinted pink, like the choicest Orchids. Not only is it large, profuse flowering, very double and perfect but one of the earliest Asters to bloom. Most early varieties are inferior in quality, but this while as early or earlier than any other is undoubtedly the finest in form and habit, as well as in color, of all new Asters...15

Upright White—We consider this one of our very best Asters, and offer a very select strain of seed. The flowers are great balls of mammoth size, pure white in color, and produced on long, upright stems two feet or more in length. In every way a first-class variety.....10

Hohenzollern White—The plant grows tall and branching, bearing flowers of mammoth size on long stems. We have cut many flowers on stems measuring from eighteen to twenty-four inches in length. The flowers are of the purest white, measuring from six to eight inches across; are double, with curled petals, resembling a Japanese Chrysanthemum. A great improvement both in size and form of flowers. Florists use it freely as a cut flower with great satisfaction.....10

Favorite—A lovely Aster the flowers of which change daily from one delicate shade to another. The plant is a very neat, symmetrical grower, growing about eighteen inches high, bearing one large bloom of beautiful form on each stem. The color is blush upon opening changing daily until it is a rich deep pink. Each plant shows flowers of a different shade, and is most attractive. A beautiful Aster that will please.....10

Early Queen—Decidedly the best early Aster, producing flowers in profusion on long stems, and being several weeks earlier than any other. The flowers are very double, rendering them of exceptional value for cutting purposes. Start your seed for this variety as early as possible to get best results.

Early Queen, Pure White—Clear and superb.....10
" " **Dark Blue**—Rich.....10
" " **Lavender**—Delicate and lovely shade.....10
" " **Rose**—Fine, pleasing shade.....10
" " **All Colors Mixed**.....10

One pkt., of each for 25c.

Purity—A fine, strong-growing Aster which branches finely and bears its great perfect snow-white blossoms on long, stout stems. As a cut flower variety, and for a perfect white Aster, it has no superior. Habit symmetrical, 18 inches high and literally a mass of large-snow-white blossoms. A most fitting companion to America.....15

Washington—Fine exhibition sort. A tall grower of pyramidal habit. The largest-flowered Aster on the list; fine form and splendid colors. Mixed colors..... 5

Dwarf Bouquet—Very compact, but six to eight inches high, a mass of flowers from bottom to top. Mixed.... 5

Shakespeare—Dwarf variety, six inches in height. Novel shades of coloring, large globular flowers, and very floriferous. Each plant looks like a unique little bouquet set in the ground, so compact and crowded with blossoms. The cut shows their habit to good advantage. Fine for bordering a bed of tall sorts..... 5

Liliput Flowered—Plant of medium height, almost smothered beneath a cloud of tiny button-like flowers as double as anything well can be. A charming sort..... 5

For $2.50 we will send one packet each of these 35 Asters.

Mixed Asters.

A bed of mixed Asters, all kinds, colors and varieties, is certainly attractive. We offer mixtures of both dwarf and tall-growing sorts separate.

Mixed Tall-Growing Asters—All sorts and colors; will make an interesting and attractive bed. Large packet 20

Mixed Dwarf Asters—All the low-growing sorts.....15

One packet of each for 30c.

Alyssum.

A favorite little annual, because of its fragrance and abundance of bloom. As easy to grow as any weed, and blooms from early summer until severe freezing weather in fall. Sow seed *very* early in the open ground.

Sweet—Racemes of cruciform white flowers..... 5

Little Gem—An improved variety; much larger flowers, of a pure white, and, if possible, more floriferous than the old Sweet. Plant is also more robust and spreading, a single plant forming a thick mat of flowers and foliage 12 to 15 inches across. Three and four hundred spikes of flowers in full bloom can be counted on a good plant at one time. 3 pkts, for 20c.....10

Snowtuft—This marvelous new Alyssum is so dwarf, compact and free flowering that a border of it is like a tuft of new-fallen snow. The plants grow so compact and the flowers are so numerous that nothing but a sheet of glistening white can be seen. We have attempted in our cut to give some idea of this, but it cannot do it justice. Suffice it to say that this Alyssum is one of the very finest Flower Seed Novelties ever introduced and one that will give satisfaction beyond what anyone may anticipate. Blooms in 4 weeks from seed and makes one of the finest pots of winter flowers.10

Arctotis Grandis.

An easily-grown annual which blooms in a very short time from seed and continues in great profusion through the entire summer and fall. Has highly ornamental, glaucous-green foliage and the large daisy-like blossoms are borne on long graceful stems. Flower white with a blue center and a yellow band at the base of the petals. The form of the flower is perfection itself and the color is novel and fascinating. Most beautiful and easily-grown.....10

Balsam--Childs' Perfection.

The gigantic flowers, double and perfect like Camellias, and the wonderful profusion in which they are borne, has been a revelation to thousands who never before knew what really good Balsams were. It is not an uncommon sight to see more than 500 of these magnificent large double blooms upon a plant at one time, the branches being perfect pyramids of bloom. The Balsam is one of the most beautiful and easily grown of all garden annuals. Seed may be started under glass early or sown in the open ground about corn-planting time. A very rich soil is not necessary, but they like to have plenty of room, at least 18 inches apart each way. It is very hard to raise good Balsam seed, for they are inclined to deteriorate rapidly, and very little good seed is sold. Do not devote time or room to uncertain strains. Per pkt.

White—Flowers pure snowy white and very large, double and perfect. A great favorite..... 5

Pink—A superb sort; a clear, deep color, beautiful buds.. 5

Scarlet—Almost dazzling in brilliancy..... 5

Fancy Striped—Various colors, flaked and striped..... 5

Fancy Spotted—Exceedingly showy. Rare and beautiful shades of coloring, all spotted with pure white..... 5

Mixed Colors—No finer mixture to be obtained 10

Its merits are long, spiral stems, covered with beautiful green foliage and seed buds which are exceedingly fragrant. It is as desirable as the Rose Geranium as a pot plant with fragrant foliage, and for making up into bouquets and other floral work its beautiful long spirals of lovely green are unsurpassed. It is one of the easiest plants to grow.....10

Candytuft.

This good old annual has been a garden favorite for three hundred years. A fine edging plant, and good for cutting. Sow *very early* in the open ground, and keep seed heads picked off for constant succession of bloom.

All Colors Mixed—Fine shades..... 5

Pure White—A favorite for floral work..... 5

Tom Thumb—Mixed colors. Bushy plants, only 4 to 5 inches high, bearing profusely compact spirals of bloom. 5

Dwarf Large Flowering—This is one of the most pleasing new garden flowers we have ever seen. This new form grows only four to eight inches high, branching freely and producing clusters of bloom which in size and beauty are far superior to any of the older sorts. The bloom is so massive that nothing but a sheet of color is seen, and the colors run through all shades from purplish crimson, lilac, rose, pink, blush to white. A plant of this new Candytuft will produce four to five times as much bloom as the older varieties; showy and easily-grown. Many fine colors mixed.....10

Carnation, New Marguerite.

A New Strain of Dwarf Perpetual Blooming Carnations which Flowers in 3 or 4 Months from Seed.

This is still the great flower-seed novelty of the times' and here is offered the prize strains of seeds. While others have sold seeds which produce poor and single flowers, ours have always given at least 90 per cent. of the choicest double blossoms. The plant is of dwarf, compact and pretty habit, branching closely above the ground, and vigorous stalks which need not be supported by sticks. It flowers abundantly in a great variety of colors throughout the year, and the calyx never bursts. But what renders this variety far superior to any other is that the flowers appear in about three months after sowing the seed. Moreover it produces at least 80 per cent. of double flowers, which are large and perfect. The plants grow easily everywhere, both in sandy soil or heavy loam, and will give the greatest satisfaction. Indeed, they signify an improvement on all other Carnations which nobody ever thought of. Think of getting Carnations in flower from seed in about four months, which last throughout the winter, and of various colors, white, pink, scarlet, purple, red, striped, mottled, flaked, variegated, etc. We say without hesitation that it is the most important flower seed novelty in many years. They are alike valuable for pot culture and for garden. Do not sow cheap Marguerite Carnation seed; it will disappoint you. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors—Half dwarf, the finest strain, with large double blossoms, blooming in three months.....10

Pure White—Extra fine.....10

Rosea—Fine, clear rose color.....10

Scarlet—Deep, bright shades.....10

Purple—A remarkably rich color.....10

Violet—Fine violet color.....10

Yellow—Comes fairly true.....10

Striped and Variegated—Many colors.....10

New Dwarf—Plant of dwarf, stout habit, and flowers extra large sized and brilliant in colors. See cut above. A greatly improved strain. All colors mixed.....15

Malmaison—The flowers are simply enormous in size, perfectly double, of a delicate blush color, and strong clove fragrance. Growth very stout, with large, luxuriant foliage. No other Carnation can compare with this variety. Packet contains 40 or 50 seeds, all of which will not come true, but if only one plant of Malmaison is procured it is a prize well worth a dollar.....15

One pkt. each of the ten above offered for 75c.

Celosia—(Cockscomb.)

The old Cockscomb of our mother's garden, but vastly improved of late years. Its huge combs, from six inches to a foot across, are of the most fiery gorgeous colors, are very fine all the late summer and autumn, and our best parks make use of thousands of them for autumn bedding. Start in heat and transplant in open ground after danger of frost is over. As pot plants they are fine.

Ostrich Plume—A new Celosia which bears feathery plumes of bloom, more like ostrich feathers or Pampas grass than anything else. These magnificent plumes are one to two feet in length, and of all colors from sulphur yellow to deep rich crimson, rose, pink, scarlet, yellow, orange, etc. A plant in bloom is one of the very brightest and showiest of all garden annuals. All colors mixed.....10

Dwarf Mixed—A fine mixture of all colors, of dwarf habit but producing enormous heads of bloom..... 5

Baby Golden Glow.

(*Chrysanthemum Coronarum Hybrids.*)

This is the most effective annual it has ever been our good fortune to see. Seed is best started inside and the plants transplanted to the garden at the proper time. They will begin blooming at once, making a most symmetrical and compact growth as seen by the cut, and showing hundreds of brightest blossoms as double and perfect as roses. Nothing but the famous Golden Glow itself can equal it for a display. This Baby Golden Glow is an annual growing only two feet high, flowering early and so profusely that it eclipses all other garden annuals for a show.

Mixed—Yellow and white..10

Centaurea Marguerite.

For an early summer garden flower nothing surpasses these superb new Centaureas. Each plant produces scores of flowers which are borne on long wiry stems, and are exceedingly graceful, while for cutting, for vases, or corsage wearing no flower can surpass them. Flowers 2 or 3 inches across, of the most lovely texture and superb fragrance. Sow seed in open ground very early; the plants will soon be up and blooming and continue for several months. Their beauty and value may be judged when we say that they are superior in every way to Carnations, not only in beauty and usefulness for cutting, but in fragrance as well. They grow like a weed in any situation. Per pkt.

Pure White—Perfectly exquisite..... 5

Mixed, All Colors—Yellow, lilac, white, etc..... 5

Imperialis Mixed Colors—This is a new and greatly improved strain of C. Marguerite. The plant is much larger and more vigorous with blossoms fully DOUBLE THE SIZE of Marguerite. They possess the same colors and delicious fragrance, and long graceful stems. But that is not all. This new strain, Imperialis, is so strong and vigorous that unfavorable wet and hot weather, which kill plants of the Marguerite, have no effect upon it, and it blooms profusely all summer.....10

Calliopsis.

The Calliopsis, or Coreopsis, is one of our brightest, cheeriest annuals and as easy to grow as any weed. The myriads of gay flowers, poised on long foot-stalks above the foliage, make a mass or bed of these a dazzling sight.

Tom Thumb Beauty—This superb new strain grows only eight inches high, while the flowers are in size fully up to the taller-growing variety and produced in endless profusion. It is one of the most showy things we have ever seen. The large, golden-yellow blossoms with rich velvety-crimson center are exceedingly striking. For a clump or mass it is perfectly charming, and being so hardy and robust it thrives in any soil or location. Sow seed early in the open ground.....10

New Double—This new double form is fine..... 5

Childs' Cosmos.

A grand fall flower, the only rival to the Dahlia and Chrysanthemum. Sow seed early in the spring and plants will bloom from September to November. In the North, give sheltered position, as severe frosts injure the flowers. Give light, rich soil, and support each plant by tying to a stout, deeply driven stake, as the plants are top heavy in bloom and easily blown over. Each plant will reach a height of from 4 to 6 feet, and a more beautiful object is rarely seen. The feathered dark green foliage forms a firm setting for the hundreds of graceful, Daisy-like flowers that make each plant like some huge bouquet. The pure white, soft pink and deep crimson shades are exquisite, and for cutting or wearing they have no superior. An extra fine flower for the South as well as the North. It was was first introduced by us many years ago. Per pkt.

Childs' Hybrids Mixed--All colors mixed, white, crimson, pink, rose, purple, etc..... 5

Giant Fancy, Mixed Colors—A new giant-flowered strain of marvelous size and beauty. The individual flowers measuring 4, 5 and 6 inches across and as they are borne on long graceful stems, the effect is charming. No description can do justice to the beauty of this new strain. All colors mixed, including some rich, dark reds not before seen. The flowers are borne in great profusion and the plants begin blooming early.....10

Julia E. Lee—It was Miss Julia E. Lee, of New Mexico, who first sent us seed of the Cosmos and caused us to introduce it to the world, and all will admit that the world owes her much. This new strain, sown in the open ground at corn-planting time, will commence blooming in July and continue until frost. What more need be said of it? Its flowers are large and fine, and show all the rich and delicate colors from crimson to white, found among Cosmos.....10

Datura.

This is a majestic garden plant which is easily grown, and which furnishes an abundance of magnificent large blossoms. It has a very tropical appearance. Per pkt.

Sweet Nightingale—One of the finest garden flowers, plants rapid and bushy growers, crowned with great Lily-like blossoms a foot in length, like an enormous trumpet, white as snow and deliciously scented. It is a fine plant for the center of a bed of evening bloomers or to use at the base of a rockery. One plant in bloom will scent up a whole garden or lawn.....10

Double and Single Mixed—Many fine colors.....10

Everlasting Flowers.

Flowers of eternal beauty, those that never fade. Unsurpassed for winter decoration and when made into bouquets, or arrayed in vases they last for years. Should be cut and dried when in bud and blossom.

AMMOBIUM Alatum—Plant robust and great bloomer. Flowers pure white, and very double..... 5

ACROCLINUM, Double Mixed—Flowers pure pearly white, and exquisite soft clear pink, with bright golden center. Cut the first day they open, or the center becomes discolored. Hang the branches heads downward in the shade to dry and the flowers will appear as perfect as when gathered. 1 foot high..... 5

GOMPHRENA, Mixed Colors—Good for the garden and make neat pot plants. Plants bear great quantities of clover-like blooms, altogether different in appearance from any other everlasting, and very attractive buds as well as full blown flowers..... 5

HELICHRYSUM Monstrosum, Mixed-Plants grow two feet high, and are very hardy, blooming until late autumn. An easy plant to grow, and flowers are very bright. The white and light colored varieties color easily, and are often dyed in shades not otherwise obtainable and used in wreaths, crosses, etc..... 5

RHODANTHE, Mixed—A fine everlasting, good for the garden, and a pretty pot plant. The most delicate and graceful of this useful class. Try it by all means..... 5

XERANTHEMUM, Mixed Colors -- An easily grown everlasting, and furnishes the only shades of blues and purple to be found in this class. Mixed colors..... 5

One pkt. each of the 6 for 25c.

Diamond Flower.

A dainty little annual with tufts of tiny foliage and beautiful little white and violet-blue flowers that bloom within a month from the time seed is sown. It will grow in the open ground, over rock work or in pots, never exceeding three inches in height, and rarely two. The tiny flowers have a glistening sheen that has given them their name of Diamond Flower, and being surmounted by a wealth of bright green foliage, they show to wonderful advantage. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where plants are growing, and within a month you will have the most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss—that you ever saw. In the garden it will grow and seed all summer, covering the ground with a perfect carpet of beauty. 10

Feverfew.

Fine border plants that are always in flower. They bloom quickly from seed, and are extra good for cutting. They also make fine plants for winter blooming in pots. Flowers large and double like Roses, and very profusely borne at all times of the year. Habit dwarf and compact, making them very desirable either for garden or pots.

Little Belle—Fine snow-white, very dwarf..... 5
Little Fred—Pure golden-yellow, very dwarf..... 5
Eximia Grandiflora—Flowers enormous in size, as double as Roses, and pure snow white. A most superb pot plant, blooming all the year round.....10

Gypsophila Elegans.

Everyone who is fond of bouquets ought to grow this. It produces long, fine, mist-like sprays of tiny white flowers that are one of the finest things in the world for cut-flower work, softening all hard lines, toning down all glaring colors and giving the finish to a bouquet that filmy lace does to a rich dress. Blooms early..... 5

Hibiscus Sunshine.

A most glorious garden flower. Plants begin flowering quite early from spring sown seed. The enormous flowers are 10 to 12 inches across, opening quite flat and show to wonderful advantage. Color a clear, bright lemon with a black center. Plant grows 4 to 6 feet tall, showing every day 2 to 3 of these most magnificent blossoms. Nothing else like it or so magnificently beautiful.....10

Eschscholtzia.

The Eschscholtzia is one of the hardiest and most easily grown of our annuals. It is also a very showy one, growing rapidly and coming into bloom soon after the plants are above the ground. The foliage is finely cut and handsome and the flowers exceedingly large and showy.

Californica—The beautiful California Poppy..... 5

Crimson and Gold Hybrids—A hybrid strain with wide variations in colors, including orange, yellow, buff, rose, pink, vermillion, crimson and all intermediate shades. An exceptionally fine thing..10

Fenzlia.

Charming low-growing plants, forming mat-like tufts of foliage, thickly dotted by a long succession of beautiful white or rose-purple throated flowers. An extra fine little plant for edging or carpet-bedding, or for baskets in the house. Blooms very quickly from seed.

Mixed Colors—White, pink and other delicate shades.... 5

Lantana Early Gleam.

Flowers in a Few Weeks From Seed.

New and among the greatest of Novelties. Seed will produce fine flowering plants in *two to three months*, the plants continuing to flower most profusely all summer and fall in the garden and all the year round in pots. Habit dwarf, compact, and bushy, loaded down with bright blossoms all the time. Colors white, crimson, orange yellow, rose, pink, etc. No flower seed novelty ever proved more satisfactory than this, either for the garden or for pots, and our customers will be more than delighted with it. Very easily grown in any soil, climate or situation.

Trochere—Crimson red, yellow center.....10
Eole—Beautiful rose, yellow center.....10
Snow Queen—Pure white.....10
Francein—Rosy lilac, cream center.....10
Lemon Gem—Fine straw yellow.....10

The 5 sorts for 35c.

Mixed—Some 20 different colors.....15

WEEPING LANTANA.

Splendid New Weeping Lantana.

This new trailing plant is a real beauty and highly desirable for bracket pots and hanging baskets. The slender trailing growth and abundance of rich blossoms making it a plant of peculiar beauty. Color, a rich fine lilac, and sweetly scented. Very graceful, and a plant easily grown in any situation, and always in flower the year round. Grows easily and quickly from seed.....15

Larkspur.

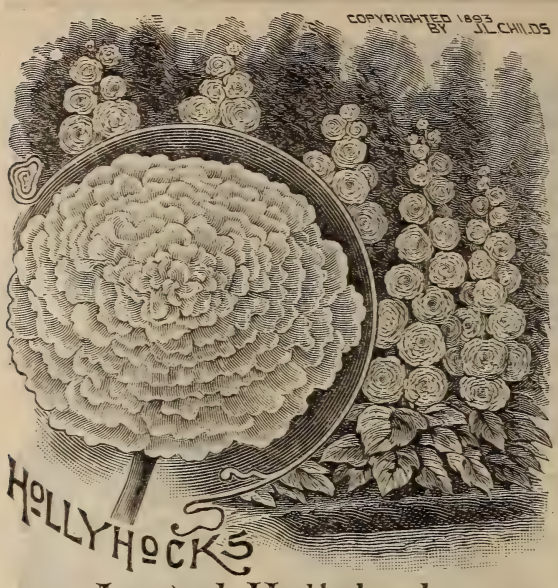
An old-fashioned, but none the less valuable annual with large, compact spikes of showy flowers. In shades of white, pink, red, blue, etc. Sow early in the open ground.

Giant Hyacinth Flowered—Great Hyacinth-like spikes of large double flowers. Mixed colors..... 5

Lobelia.

Charming little plants for small beds, edging baskets, etc. Graceful and pretty, and colors exceedingly clear. A most charming pot plant for window culture, blooming in four weeks and making the prettiest little pot flowers.

Crystal Palace—Dark blue, best for bedding..... 5
Mixed Colors—All the best, some with golden foliage.... 5
Wonder—(Double)—A grand new Double Lobelia of great beauty and profusion. For cut and full description see plant department..... 10



Annual Hollyhocks.

Early Flowering—A new strain of Hollyhock which grows quickly and flowers in August and Sept. from spring sown seed in the open ground. Flower stalks are not quite so tall as other Hollyhocks, but the flowers are large, showy and of various colors, both double and single. Mixed colors.....10

Godetia.

A handsome flower and particularly useful because it will grow in shady places where so few really fine flowers can be grown. These bloom a long time and so profusely that the foliage is almost hidden by the many large, wide open flowers, of shining satin texture, and of the most delicate and lovely colors.

Mixed, Many Colors..... 5

Crimson Glow—This is a new Godetia of compactgrowth flowering so freely that a plant looks like a beautiful and symmetrical bouquet. The color of the flowers is intense crimson, with white center, and are produced in marvelous profusion. Sow seed in the open ground early, and the beauty and brilliancy of this Novelty will please all.....10

Forget-me-not--Myosotis.

The beautiful Forget-me-not is a synonym for faithfulness and undying affection. Beautiful for shady nooks and quiet beds, and exquisite for cutting and for wearing. Like the Pansy there is something almost human in the expression of these modest little flowers, that look you frankly in the eyes as though they had something to tell you. Though perennials, they bloom the first season. Fine for pot culture in a shady window where few plants will bloom. Per pkt.

Palustrus—Elegant blue flowers of large size..... 5

Dwarf, Mixed Colors—Bushy growth, large blossoms.... 5

Triumph—This is a splendid new, large-flowering sort which will blossom in six to eight weeks from seed....10

Helianthus, (Sunflower.)

Baby Sunflower—A dwarf branching Sunflower, growing less than two feet high, loaded at all times with lovely Cosmos-like blossoms, of perfect shape and wide spreading petals. Rich deep yellow with black center. A very beautiful flower. It begins blooming in a month after seed is sown, and few garden flowers are more attractive; the large showy blossoms on such tiny plants look very beautiful 5

Large Double—Magnificent blossoms as large as a man's hat, and perfectly double like a Dahlia. Very showy.... 5

Gaillardia Perfection.

Flowers are enormous size, perfectly double, and borne in great profusion all summer, while the colors and variegations are the most brilliant and beautiful imaginable, scarlet, red, orange, purple, lemon, buff, etc. As pot plants, they are also exquisite. Start seed early..... 5

GAILLARDIA PERFECTION.

DWARF MARIGOLD.

THE SPLENDID GIANT MIGNONETTE "MACHET."

MIGNONETTE GIANT WHITE SPIRAL.

Marigold.

Petted by our grandmothers, neglected by our mothers, now once more on the high wave of popularity. Bright, showy flowers, that need only the slightest care. Per pkt.

French, Mixed Colors—Double flowers, rich, dark shade. 5

Dahlia Flowered—Very rank and tall, studded with enormous double Dahlia-like flowers. The colors range from the palest canary yellow to a deep, full orange... 5

Dwarf Giant Flowered—This is of the French class and grows only twelve to fifteen inches high while the flowers are as large and double as those of the African class and of the richest colors imaginable. Some will be puregolden-yellow, others rich velvety crimson-brown, others will be striped, or bordered, while some will have a golden center surrounded by a rich band of dark color, and others will be quartered or halved.....10

Mirabilis—(Four O'clock.)

Much used in the now popular "evening" beds and also for summer hedges, low screens, etc., for which their uniform, bushy growth well adapts them. Plants are crowded for months with innumerable silk-like flowers of the most ravishing colors, and exhaling a delicious perfume. Indeed, the celebrated "Jocky Club" perfume is made from Longiflora. These flowers owe their common name of "Four O'clock" to the regularity with which their beautiful flowers open at that hour each afternoon.

Tom Thumb, Yellow Leaved—Mixed colors. A new dwarf strain of great beauty. Grows only 12 inches high, and each plant is a compact mass of lovely yellowish leaves, which in evening are hidden by hundreds of gay blossoms of all colors and variegations. 5

Longiflora—Flowers 4 inches long and very fragrant..... 5

Mignonette.

Mignonette is the French word for "little darling." No more expressive word could well be found for the sweet, homely flower that by its merit alone has won its way as the favorite of all, though hundreds of showier flowers were its rivals. No garden is complete without its plot of Mignonette, no nosegay finished without its sprig of this sweet smelling flower. We pride ourselves on our choice strains of this favorite flower and believe no finer seed can be procured anywhere. Sow early in the ground for summer blooming, and in pots any time for the window. Per pkt.

Common Sweet—The small flowered variety; very sweet. Per oz. 20c 5

Pyramidal or Giant Tree—A robust grower with numerous large spikes of flowers. Branching very freely and blooms for a long period; very sweet..... 5

Giant White Spiral—First introduced by us many years ago. Very distinct from all other sorts; rank, luxuriant foliage, deeply cut and decidedly ornamental. Each plant bears great quantities of large, snow-white spikes, that are very pretty for cutting and for small bouquets. Grows and blooms in any situation..... 5

Machet—One of the finest. Plants bushy and a profuse bloomer, with extra large spikes of a pretty brick-red color; exceedingly fragrant. Much inferior seed of this variety is on the market. Ours is strictly pure.....10

Allen's Giant Goliath—This is decidedly the largest and finest Mignonette ever grown. It is fine in the open ground, but grows to best advantage as a winter bloomer in pots. With good care it produces spikes over a foot in length, and of enormous size. Superb as a cut flower. Very fragrant. 10

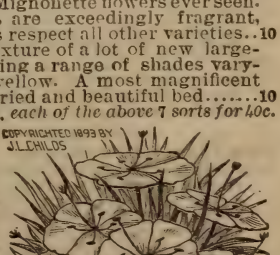
Improved Victoria—This new Mignonette is one of the most desirable novelties we have seen for a long time. It grows only six to twelve inches in height and is sure to put every lover of flowers in ecstasy by its perfectly regular, pyramidal habit and the beautifully formed spikes of the prettiest red Mignonette flowers ever seen. Its large compact spikes are exceedingly fragrant, seeming to surpass in this respect all other varieties..10

New Sorts Mixed—A fine mixture of a lot of new large-flowering sorts, representing a range of shades varying from brown-red to yellow. A most magnificent mixture and will give a varied and beautiful bed.....10

SPECIAL OFFER—*One pkt. each of the above 7 sorts for 40c.*

Œnothera—

(*Evening Primrose.*)



Large, saucer-shaped blooms of the purest white, or softest, richest shades of yellow, and deliciously fragrant. The swollen buds expand at dusk with a suddend "snap" that always delights the children and interests the adults.

Mixed Sorts—A fine variety of colors.....10

Nasturtiums.

If we were asked to name the six best annuals, the Nasturtium would be one of them. They are so easy to grow that a six-year-old child could plant them and care for them, and they have every good quality of a bedding plant—compact habit, attractive foliage, intensely bright and beautiful flowers, borne profusely the whole season, not troubled by insects, and standing dry weather well. Do not let seed form, and plant on thin soil. Per pkt.

Lady Bird—Beautiful yellow, stained deep crimson..... 5

Empress of India—Dark purplish foliage and very dark, rich crimson flowers. Grand for edging or ribbon beds.10

King Theodore—Darkest of all, almost black in color..... 5

Golden King—One of the loveliest shades of yellow..... 5

Coccinea—Bright, flashing scarlet..... 5

Pearl—The nearest white. Good for contrast..... 5

Rose—A lovely soft shade of rose..... 5

Spotted—Gorgeous in colors and markings..... 5

King of Tom Thumbs—Deep, velvety scarlet, with handsome dark foliage. Very fine..... 5

Ruby King—An elegant new sort, with flowers of large size and rich ruby color. A grand sort.....10

Golden Leaved—Very brilliant flowers ranging from scarlet to yellow, and golden yellow foliage. The contrast is most striking and the effect beautiful. As garden or pot plants they are unique, combining highly ornamental foliage and showy flowers. Mixed colors. Oz., 30c...10

Dwarf Caprice—Like the climbing variety, except it is dwarf. It bears large blossoms in abundance, some of which will be yellow, some crimson, some rose, and others beautifully mottled and variegated.....10

One packet each of the above 12 for 50c.

Tom Thumb, Fine Mixed—Per oz., 20c.; per lb., $1.50.... 5

Giant-Flowered Tom Thumb, Mixed—The blossoms are simply enormous in size, and there is a marvelous range of colors and an infinite variety of new shades. Clear golden yellow, salmon-pink, red, golden-brown, canary color, terra cotta, orange and black, with all combinations, making a most brilliant showing. Some of the combinations of colors are quite indescribable. The plants are dwarf and compact in habit, with large, luxuriant foliage, and bloom with wonderful profusion all summer long. 3 pkts., 20c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.00.....10

For Climbing Nasturtiums. See page 31.

Nicotiana.

Really one of the most satisfactory of all garden or pot flowers, and equally valuable for either purpose. Sanderæ and the new Sanderæ-Affinis Hybrids are entirely new and beautiful beyond description, and loaded with flowers at all times. Nothing can surpass them for beauty, profusion of bloom and ease of culture. Blooms in 60 days from time of sowing seed, either in garden or pots. Per pkt.

Sanderæ—A glorious novelty. Plants from seed attain a height of two to three feet in less than three months and are covered with exquisite long tubular blossoms of a fine deep-crimson color. Makes a splendid contrast with the old white variety, N. Affinis, and is not only a superb garden plant, but is also a great pot plant for fall and winter blooming. Don't miss it.....10

Sanderæ Hybrids—New last year. Exquisite hybrids of Sanderæ and show a fine range of beautiful colors from crimson to white—the pink, rose and tinted shades are simply exquisite. Flowers very large, almost as large as a Petunia, with tubes five inches long. Showy both as a day and evening bloomer, and many will be delightfully scented.....10

Affinis—Three feet high, with hundreds of fragrant blossoms borne for months without intermission. An evening bloomer. Pure white..... 5

Sylvestris—This is a magnificent garden ornament, growing five feet high with handsome leaves, making it a grand foliage plant. It also bears large, branching panicles of long, tubular, white flowers, which are very handsome and fragrant, each panicle showing 50 flowers at a time. For ornamental bedding it is great. 5

Baby Nasturtiums.

A new class of very small growing Nasturtiums, with lovely little leaves and the brightest and loveliest of blossoms borne in endless profusion. Truly they are "Babies." Many colors mixed..... 5

Pickininny—(Black Baby) Both leaves and blossoms are almost black. Truly a unique plant.10

Petunia.

This is a flower for everybody. Few high-priced and rare plants can begin to compare with the Petunia for beauty, and not half a dozen other flowers on our list are as showy in beds or masses. We once saw in front of a humble western cabin a great raised bed of Petunias, a perfect cloud of brilliant blossoms that could be seen far over the prairie, gleaming in purple and white, like some great star, and all this wealth and beauty was the product of a ten-cent paper of seed. The smallest yard or the finest park is not complete without these butterflies among flowers, that mind neither heat, drouth or rain, but bloom in profusion until the winter is almost upon us. The seed is best started in the house, and the young plants transplanted to open ground one foot apart, but if the soil is made very fine seed can be sown in the open ground and covered lightly. Per pkt.

Grandiflora Mixed—Very large flowers and fine colors, including blotched, striped, etc..... 5

Bouquet Mixed Colors—Many fine colors. Plants very hardy, bushy and compact, producing their bright blossoms in such wonderful profusion that each plant looks like a perfect bouquet set in the ground.....10

NEW GIANT-FLOWERED PETUNIAS.

A giant-flowered strain which originated in California. They are truly magnificent in every sense of the word, and show great improvments over the best European strain. Flowers all beautifully fringed and fimbriated, of extraordinary size, and great variety of exquisite colors.

Clematis-Flowered—Pure white, like a great Clematis...10

Giant Kermisina—Large, crimson-black.....10

Ring of Emerald—Large pink and crimson blossoms, deeply bordered with a green band.....10

Fringed Perfection—A highly perfected strain, the petals of which are deeply ruffled, and the ruffles in turn exquisitely fringed. A superb strain of the richest colors...10

Giant-Flowered Single, Mixed Colors—Enormous single flowers of a good variety of superb colors and fancy markings. Exceedingly beautiful.....15

Ruffled Giant—Flowers of this new strain are exceedingly deep-throated, and very large. They are ruffled, fluted and fringed, striped, blotched, and of solid intense colors, with many combinations new in Petunias. It is a great strain which will surprise.....20

Childs' Monster Mixture—All sorts and varieties of the giant-flowered type. A grand mixture and will show a wide variety of beautiful forms and new colors.....25

DOUBLE GIANT-FLOWERED PETUNIAS.

This is the choicest double Petunia seed that the world can furnish, and we stake our reputation upon it. A larger per cent. will produce double flowers than any other, and the flowers will be larger and better.

Giant-Flowered Double, Fringed, Mixed Colors—The largest and finest colored Double Petunias yet seen. Their size and beauty will be a revelation to all.....20

Double White—Fine, pure white flowers, very double....20

Double Crimson—Intense crimson, large double.....20

Double Rosea—Pink and white, beautifully mottled.....20

Double Heliotrope—Beautiful heliotrope blue.....20

One package each of the four colors for 50c.

New Blue Petunia, Norma.

This fine novelty is offered on colored plate. A beautiful rich and velvety purplish blue, with star-shaped white center. Very effective as it is a prodigious bloomer.....20

Poppies.

Universal garden favorites from the days of our grandmothers. There is nothing more grand than the silky blooms of the single Poppies, nodding at the apex of their long wiry stalks like so many tropical butterflies that a passing zephyr might waft from their airy perch. There is nothing more gorgeous than the double Poppies, bursting with fullness, glowing with color, and like great Peonies, or Snowballs in size. There are few flowers easier to grow, if the precaution is taken to sow early, and cover lightly, and none more useful to light up dark masses of shrubbery, mixed borders, or dull bits of landscape. Do not wait for warm weather to sow your seed, but sow very early in the spring, that the plants may have their growth made, ready to bloom at the coming of warm weather. Per pkt.

Improved Shirley—No better flower seed novelty has been offered than this new strain of Shirley Poppy, grown, selected and improved by Mr. Wilks the original introducer of the Shirley. Habit of plant dwarf and stout; blossoms of enormous size, and of the most charming colors to be found in any flowers. No display can surpass a bed of these Poppies no matter what it is. A great improvement over ordinary Shirleys.....10

Childs' Great Peony-Flowered—A strain perfected after years of careful selection. Plants attain a height of three feet or more, and bear many flowers of most brilliant colors. Large and double like fine Peonies..... 5

Peacock—Dazzling fiery scarlet flowers with vivid black centers, and borne on long wiry stems..... 5

Nankeen Yellow—A fine novelty. Large double blossoms of a fine Nankeen yellow color.....10

Snowdrift—Flowers as pure as the driven snow, large, double and full, yet soft and loose like a great ball of snow. A mass of it in bloom is a grand sight. Its habit of growth is stout and compact, not attaining the height of most other large Poppies, which makes its enormous blossoms show to better advantage.....10

Blushing Bride—The plants are of dwarf, stout growth, like Snowdrift, and belong the to Peony-flowered type. The blossoms are of enormous size, perfectly double to the center, and beautifully fringed. Color snow-white, with lovely bright crimson festooning above the edges of the frilled petals. One of the earliest to bloom.....10

Rosebud—Dainty flowers like silken rosettes, cupped like Roses. Some of them are exquisitely mottled and shaded, while others are solid colors, margined with other shades. The coloring is something wonderful, and must be seen to be appreciated. Intense scarlet, crimson, pink, white, blush, mottled, fringed, etc..... 5

One pkt. each of the 7 for 40c.

ALL POPPIES MIXED.

Poppies grow so rapidly and flower so quickly that they may be planted anywhere for a showy mass or for cutting. For this purpose we supply a large packet of more than 50 sorts of Poppies mixed.....15

The Shirley Poppy is the most brilliant and showy of all Garden Annuals.

New Iceland Poppies.

Here is a new strain of Iceland or Nudicaule Poppies, hardy perennials that flower well the first season and for years afterwards. They are most beautiful, and graceful, the bright, large blossoms being borne on tall, wire-like stems well above a beautiful crown of fern-like foliage. The colors are exceedingly bright and novel—lemon yellow, orange, salmon, white, scarlet, etc. They bloom all the season through. Per pkt.

Single Mixed—Fine large sizes.....10

Double " —Very effective.....10

For our New Hybrid Oriental or Perennial Poppies, See page 35.

Phlox Drummondi.

One of the very best of all bedding annuals is the Phlox Drummondi, surpassing almost everything else in dazzling brilliancy. We may well be proud of this distinctively American flower, for it is extremely beautiful, neat in growth, and an extraordinary bloomer. The newest sorts of Phlox are so far ahead of the older varieties that we have discarded all the latter, and offer now none but those beautiful new ones of recent introduction. The Phlox make beautiful ribbon beds when different collors are sown side by side, and also grand for masses of color. Per pkt.

Grandiflora Mixed—Thirty different colors. Fine for large beds and masses. Per oz., $1.00 5

Childs' Star—Large size and curiously pointed, fringed and toothed blossoms—utterly unlike anything else—colors of every conceivable shade, more than a hundred distinct tints, shades and combinations having been counted among them. No two same shape and color..10

Cicily—A new very dwarf compact form of Phlox bearing extra large and showy blossoms. Many fine colors mixed, and the best of all the very dwarf Phlox 10

Childs' Jubilee Phloxes.

Flowers of great substance, beautiful form and uncommon size, while the colors are extraordinarily rich and varied, glowing crimson, dazzling scarlet, deep rose, soft pink, pale blush, maroon-black, lavender-purple, pure white and numberless other shades, many with contrasting eyes, stripes or feathering. In habit these new Phloxes are erect, and bear their velvety blossoms in great profusion, making them unrivalled for bedding. They are of dwarf, stout, branching habit and the individual flowers are the size of a twenty-dollar gold coin. Grandest of all Phloxes.

Jubilee Alba—Large; pure white.....10
" **Coccinea**—Rich velvety scarlet.....10
" **Atropurpurea**—Dark velvety crimson black.....10
" **Lutea**—Fine primrose yellow. 10
" **Rosea**—Beautiful bright glowing rose.....10
" **Stellata, Mixed**—Many fine colors, all with pure white eye. Very effective.....10

Jubilee Striata, Mixed—Many fine colors, all striped with white. Splendid.....10

Jubilee Mixed, All Colors—More than forty different shades and combinations of rich and brilliant colors...10

One pkt. each of the 8 above for only 50c.

Ricinus Zanzibarensis.

There are several varieties of this superb new Ricinus, all of which are characterized by extra large and handsome leaves, compact, branching growth forming a perfect pyramid of elegant foliage. The seeds are very large, and each kind of different colors, white, black, scarlet, brown, etc. All beautifully marked and mottled. They are so beautiful that they are well worth the price just to look at. Nothing produces a more tropical effect than the Ricinus. Mixed sorts.10

Childs' Grand Pansies.

A universal favorite with young and old. Every child sees the face in the Pansy, and, aside from its great beauty, we all treasure it as the symbol of modest worth and true affection. The smallest yard must have its Pansies. Not poor,forlorn plants,struggling unaided with heat and drouth and hard-baked ground,though even there yielding us handfuls of cheery bloom; but, rather, strong, vigorous plants, rioting in the cool, deep mellow beds they love, made rich with fertilizers, kept free from weeds and shaded from the hot afternoon sun. In such a bed one may gather great velvety Pansies by the hundreds—flowers so radiantly beautiful that they scarcely seem of the earth. Although the Pansy loves coolness, and gives its largest, finest blooms in early spring and late autumn, they are so easy to grow that those living in the South can grow superb ones by giving rich bed, sheltered location, and abundant water. Sow seed early in house or open ground. In the open ground sow seed very early in spring, while the ground is yet cool and moist, for late autumn and fall bloom, or in August and September for spring and early summer bloom. For fall-sown seed have the bed moist and kept shady by boards or papers until the plants appear. These will make vigorous plants that will endure the winter if protected by a few evergreen boughs, or other light covering. Do not let the plants seed if you wish to keep them in bloom feely all the time. Poor Pansy seed is dear at any price.

Our Pansy Seed is the very choicest product of Europe, and the various strains and distinct varieties we offer are the best known to cultivation.

Per pkt.

General Collection of Pansies.

Large-Flowering, Choice Mixed Colors—A superb strain of choice large-flowering types, including all colors. Will give great satisfaction. Is surpassed only by our Giant Excelsior and Imperial German..... 5

Fancy Striped, Mixed—These are real gems of fantastic coloring. A strain made up of various colors, all elegantly and grotesquely striped and variegated. These Pansies will be greatly admired for their odd and beautiful and distinct stripes.....10

Fancy Margined, Mixed—The large, fine blossoms of these are of various colors, white, blue, black, yellow, purple, etc., all with beautiful margins of white and gold bordering each flower. The effect is very unique and beautiful.....10

Scarlet and Red Mixed—This is a mixture of all the new colors in scarlet and red which have been recently introduced, such as Fiery Face, Cardinal, Fire King, etc. It runs largely to very bright colors.....10

One pkt. each of above 4 for 25c.

Snow Queen—A perfect beauty, being a pure snow-white which always comes true from seed. A great bloomer. 5

Yellow Bird—Very large flowers of a pure bright yellow color..... 5

Silver-Edged—Dark, rich velvety purple, with distinct white edge. Lovely for cutting and for funeral work.. 5

Black, Giant-Flowered—A new black Pansy of the largest size; a rich coal black; very fine and striking.....10

Peacock—A Pansy of superb and varied colors, most of them showing that glorious and luminous bronze-red seen only in peacock feathers. It is a finely colored strain and cannot be too highly praised.. 10

Ruby Red—The richest colored Pansy yet introduced, and comes quite true from seed. Flowers large and of a rich dark ruby red, and having a texture almost like velvet. The depth and richness of color will vary in different plants, but will be grand.....10

Azure Blue—Lovely light or sky blue..... 5

Trimardeau Giant, Mixed Colors—These are famous for their extraordinary size, though the form is not so perfect as the Imperial Germans..... 5

Masterpiece—One of the greatest novelties in Pansies the border of every petal being conspicuously curled and fluted. This characteristic appears in nearly every flower, the size of which is extremely large. The plants are exceptionally free flowering, vigorous, strong and hardy, and the numerous blossoms large and showy during the entire spring, summer and autumn. The tints and colors are also wonderful.....10

One pkt. each above 9 different colors for 50c.

Childs' Imperial German Pansies.

Introduced by us several years ago, and now the leading favorite throughout the world. Many inferior stocks have been placed on the market under the name, but as the introducers, we may be depended upon to furnish the true variety. Large flowers of the finest coloring; stout, robust, bushy growth, notwithstanding the heat, and producing fine large flowers during the entire summer. Flowers of great substance and beauty.

Mixed Seed—Of more than fifty distinct shades of Imperial German, including the newest types and colors.. ..10

Childs' Giant Excelsior Pansies.

It is impossible to do justice to these lovely flowers in a printed description. Cold type cannot convey an idea of the indescribable richness, the varied and exquisite coloring,the large size,perfect form and great substance of the blossoms. Plants are compact and bushy, and produce great quantities of flowers, borne well above the foliage, on strong stems. Owing to their vigor this strain withstands the hot and dry weather better than any other variety, and produces its great, beautiful blossoms in profusion all summer. Over a hundred different shades and combinations of colors have been counted in one bed of this strain. (3 pkts. 50c.).....20

Jennings' Pansies.

A wonderful new strain of Pansy which has been developed in Conn. The flowers are truly the LARGEST and FINEST COLORED we have ever seen. Among a lot we had last spring some of the blossoms measured 4¼ inches across, and there were new and fantastic colors that we had never before seen among Pansies. All colors and shades were represented. No amount of praise can do justice to them.....15

Violet Pansy, Papilio.

A decided novelty, and a cross between the Pansy and Violet. The flowers are Violet-shaped, large, and borne in endless profusion, a plant showing from 20 to 40 blossoms every day from spring until late fall. Color, a lovely violet-lilac, in some plants darker than others, with a dark eye. For bedding purposes this new Violet Pansy is one of the best we have seen in a long time..... 5

Tufted Pansies. (Violet Scented.)

This new type is a cross between the Pansy and the Violet, combining the ideal properties of each. The flowers are much larger than the Violet, more like Pansies, but with the delicious fragrance of the former. The flowers are also quite free from central rays and markings, and the habit of the plant is decidedly dwarf and compact, producing its flowers on long foot-stalks, and they appear continually from early spring until late fall. The plants possess to a considerable extent the hardy and robust nature of the Violet, and make splendid pot as well as garden plants. The range of colors runs through white, buff,canary and azure blue and the coloring of each is exceedingly delicate and charming. For borders and beds they are just superb, each plant showing from 50 to 100 blossoms all the time. For early spring blooming they surpass all other Pansies.....10

"NEW GIANT EXCELSIOR."
TUFTED PANSY

"SPENCER" SWEET PEAS
NEW MIXED "HYBRIDS."
FINEST OF ALL SWEET PEAS.

Sweet Peas.

Our Great Collection of Grand New Varieties.

One of the dear old flowers that will never go out of fashion. Everyone who has a yard ought to grow quantities of this sweetest of all flowers, that is not only a beautiful low-growing vine for gardens and decoration, but one of the most useful of all in furnishing material for vases, bouquets, and all cut flower work. Plant quantities of these lovely flowers and cut them with a lavish hand. Their presence will bring pleasure to the sick room, adorn your friends otherwise empty vases, and make happy the flower-hungry children with no pretty yards and flowers of their own; for every flower you pick, two will come to fill its place. Easy to grow anywhere if sown early, very early. For the largest and finest blossoms, dig a trench six inches deep, put in two inches of rotten manure, a little earth, and sow the seed over this three inches apart in the row, covering an inch and a half deep. Do this as early as the ground can possibly be worked in the spring, and as the plants grow, fill up the trench around them with rich earth. Such planting will produce enormous quantities of flowers of the largest size.

Best Spencer Sweet Peas.

Spencer Sweet Peas are noted for their extra large and beautifully shaped blossoms. In this respect they outclass all other sorts, while their season of blooming is much longer. These sorts are very shy seeders, and do not come absolutely true; as in all named varieties, there will be some variation. Our stock is the best yet offered. Four blossoms usual, on long stems.

Asta Ohu Spencer—Fine lavender.
Countess Spencer—Exquisite soft rosy pink.
Beatrice Spencer—White tinted pink and buff with a blotch of bright rose.
Capt. of Blues Spencer—Large and perfect, standard purple, wings bright blue.
Flora Norton Spencer—Large wavy wings and standards, lovely bright blue.
Lovely Spencer—A beautiful blending of lovely pink, blush and white.
Mrs. Routzahde Spencer—Soft straw color, tinted blush, pink and apricot, with a lovely rosy margin.
Apple Blossom Spencer—All that the name implies.
Mrs. Sanky Spencer—Finest snow white.
Tennant Spencer—Exquisite mauve.
Helen Lewis Spencer—Orange-rose wings and crimson standards, beautifully reflexed.
Geo. Herbert Spencer—Bright carmine, beautifully fluted.

10c. per pkt., the 12 for $1.00.

Superb Spencer Hybrids Mixed.

(See colored plate opposite.)

This is the greatest Sweet Pea Mixture ever offered. All new Spencer Hybrids with the enormous blossoms 4 in a cluster on long graceful stems and of every color, tint and blend yet seen among Sweet Peas. Those who plant this mixture can feel sure they have the very finest Sweet Peas yet known. Pkt. 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.25.

17 Grandest Named Sweet Peas.

This is a list of the 17 very finest and newest Sweet Peas in cultivation. A better selection could not possibly be made.

ALL AT 5C. PER PKT., 10C. PER OZ.

America—Beautiful striped, white and cardinal.
Capt. of Blues—Fine large blue, lavender shaded.
Dandy—White, pink edges. A very delicately colored and in every way a superb flower.
Dorothy Eckford—Largest and finest pure white.
Ex. Early Blanche Ferry—Rosy pink, white wings.
Hon. Mrs. E. Kenyon—Large fine primrose yellow. Very best of its color.
King Edward—Bright scarlet. A solid deep color and very large sized flower.
Lady G. Hamilton—Splendid bright lavender.
Lady Mary Currie—Largest, brightest and best of the pinks.
Navy Blue—Best dark navy blue.
Othello—Deep maroon, almost black. A rich and odd color.
Royal Rose—Standard deep rose, shaded with lighter pink; very light pink wings. Very large blossoms.
Stella Morse—Primrose-yellow, tinged with blush-pink.
Crimson Cluster—A Pea which produces flowers in clusters, somewhat like the Perennial Pea. When vines are vigorous, clusters will contain from 5 to 8 large magnificent blossoms of the richest crimson-scarlet yet seen.
Nora Unwin—Pure white, finely waved and fluted.
Phyllis Unwin—Elegant rich deep rose.
Frank Dolby (UNWIN)—Beautiful lavender.

5c. per pkt.; 10c. per oz. The 17 sorts, 1 pkt. each, for 50c.

Our Grand Large-Flowering Mixed Sweet Peas—The finest mixture possible, as only the largest-flowered or "Grandiflora" type (Eckford's) is used. More than 100 different colors; perfectly magnificent. Pkt., 5c.; oz.; 10c.; ¼ lb., 25c.; ½ lb., 40c.; lb., 75c.

Dwarf "Cupid" Sweet Peas.

This is a dwarf Sweet Pea, the plant growing only five inches high, yet spreading out and forming a solid mat of foliage and flowers one and one-half feet across. The blossoms are very sweet, of largest size and greatly abundant, with three flowers on each stem. It begins to bloom as early as May, and, unlike the climbing Sweet Peas, continues in profusion until killed by frosts. This is a remarkable feature and makes it at once one of the most superb plants for bedding, massing and edging in cultivation. Also very desirable as pot plants. Per pkt.

White Cupid—Pure white, large, perfect, very sweet..... 5
Pink Cupid—A lovely pink in color and a very free grower.. 5
Primrose Cupid—A fine tinted yellow or primrose..... 5
Firefly—Intense scarlet-pink..... 5
C. of Radnor—Beautiful lavender blue..... 5
Mixed—8 sorts. Oz. 10c..... 5

One packet of each of the six for 25c.

Bush Sweet Pea.

This new Pea grows in dense bush form, about 12 inches high and requires no support; in this respect much like a bush bean. The flowers are large and fine. We offer a most superb mixture of about 40 different sorts. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 15c.

BUSH SWEET PEA.

Double Sweet Peas.

The new double sorts produce flowers nearly half of which will be double as shown by cut. Very beautiful and attractive. 10c. per pkt.; the 4 pkts., for 25c.

Double Pink, | Double White,
Double Scarlet, | Double Black.

Double Mixed Sweet Peas—Several colors. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Portulaca.

The Portulaca will stand more abuse than almost any other flower. It does not like deep shade, or wet, damp soil, but in any other situation they only ask the sowing; they will take care of themselves afterwards. The dryer the weather and hotter the sun, the more they flourish, carpeting the ground with their mat of succulent foliage that during the fore part of the day is almost hidden by clouds of gay blossoms in every color of the rainbow. Fine for bordering walks, rock work and bedding. Beautiful in ribbon beds, and they can be transplanted even in full bloom. Per pkt.

Grandiflora, Mixed Colors—White, crimson, rose, scarlet, yellow, striped, etc. Very brilliant..... 5

Double Rose Flowered, Mixed Colors—Large blossoms, as double as Roses and the greatest variety of colors...10

Double Yellow—Fine brilliant color.....10 }
Double Scarlet—Clear and bright.....10 } *The 3 sorts, for 20c.*
Double White—Pure and beautiful.....10 }

SCABIOSA.

Scabiosa.

This is one of the very best bouquet flowers of our entire list, and is also fine for masses or clumps in the flower garden. Each plant bears a profusion of beautiful flowers, rich, velvety, glowing, and unlike any other flower, while the long wiry stems fit them for use in bouquets and vases.

Mixed Colors—(MOURNING BRIDE)..... 5

Double Mixed Colors—Dwarf habit, fine colors..... 5

Snow Ball—Large, perfectly double, white as snow.....10

"Shoo-fly" Plant.

An important new plant of the Physilis family. It is claimed that flies will not stay in a room where it is grown if they can conveniently escape, and our test shows such to be the case, though what there is about it that repulses them is not clear, as the plant or flower has no odor. Aside from this most remarkable quality it is a most beautiful flowering plant, and blooms in a very short time (60 days) from seed. It is particularly valuable as a winter bloomer, the blossoms being large, cup shaped and of a lovely light blue color, with a white center. It is a profuse bloomer in pots both summer and winter. In the garden it grows too rank and weedy to be of any value, but as a pot plant it is exquisite. Seed....10

Salpiglossis.

An exceedingly beautiful flower, and an extra fine and brilliant bedder. Large, lovely, funnel-shaped blossoms of velvety texture, and with deeply sunken veins, penciled and shaded with the richest tracings on a groundwork of the most pleasing colors. It stands the sun well, and some of the showiest beds we have ever seen have been of this beautiful and easy grown annual.

Grandiflora—Fine mixed..... 5

Emperor—This entirely new and magnificent Salpiglossis has of a sudden gained a world wide reputation. One cannot wonder at this when we see the magnificent large blossoms borne in such graceful tall panicles, to say nothing of the rich and varied coloring. For rich and charming penciling, no flower can compare with it. Sow early in open ground, and plants will soon be up and blooming. All colors mixed.....10

Ten-Weeks Stocks.

To our mind we do not catalogue a finer flower than the Ten-Weeks Stocks. It has every merit of a perfect flower—a compact habit, many and long spikes of closely-set, large, double flowers, each as double as a rose, waxy of texture, exceedingly sweet, and varying in color from snow-white to dark maroon-brown, and through all intermediate shades of red, blue and yellow. It is a grand bedder, and a fine pot plant, blooming the winter through. It develops in its greatest perfection in the cold atmosphere of our Northern States. In the South and West a cool situation should be chosen, sheltered from the mid-day sun. This plant requires rich, mellow soil, and must never be allowed to suffer for water. Poor care will result in poor flowers. It is worse than useless to plant inferior seed of this flower, that has been brought to its present high standard by careful breeding and high cultivation. Our seed is extra fine. Per pkt.

Early Ten Weeks—12 of the finest colors mixed.....10
" " " —Pure white, very sweet..... 5
" " " —Rich crimson..... 5
" " " —Clear blue..... 5
" " " —Yellow, new and fine..... 5
Dwarf German—Mixed colors. An extra fine strain of large-flowering Stocks.....10
New Large Flowering Pyramidal—One of the finest of all Immense spikes of grand flowers, in almost rainbow colors. We have counted twenty-three different shades in a single bed of these flowers.....10
Giant Perfection—One of the finest for the open ground, growing to the height of 2½ feet; flowers also of immense size. Many beautiful colors mixed..... 20
Perpetual Branching, (Recent Novelty)—This new Ten-Weeks Stock has proved to be the finest variety in cultivation. It blooms very quickly from seed, the plants being stout, branching, and compact, with numerous flower spikes of very large size. The individual flowers are large, very double, and perfect in form. For pots it is greatly superior to any other variety, and as a pot plant it is just superb, flowering for a long period and at any time of the year, according to time of sowing. Another great point in its favor is the fact that only a very small per cent. of the plants raised from seed will be single, nearly all producing magnificent double flowers.

Perp. Branching, Rich Crimson—Deep rich crimson....15
" " **Brilliant Rose**—Very handsome.....15
" " **Snow White**—Perfectly elegant.....15
Above 3 Colors for 30c.
" " **All Colors Mixed**.....15

ANNIVERSARY SALVIA.

Salvia.

The Salvia is now a standard bedding plant, and well does it deserve its honor. It stands heat and drouth remarkably well, and its colors are very showy and intense. Seed is best started under grass, though self-sown seed frequently comes up in great numbers where a bed of these plants has been the year previous. Cuttings are easily rooted and make fine winter-blooming plants. Per pkt.

Splendens Compacta—Fine dwarf habit, very free flowering and of intense brilliancy.....10
Silver Spot—Brilliant scarlet, foliage spotted yellow.....10
Childs' Anniversary—It is so dwarf and compact, and its flowers so large and numerous that it is the most brilliant bedding or pot plant yet known. Unlike other Salvias it flowers all summer long, from May until frost, making a carpet or mass of the brightest color yet seen. As a pot plant it is a solid bouquet of bloom all the fall, winter and spring. One of the finest flower seed novelties we ever had, and one that all will enjoy.....15
One pkt. each for 25c.

VINCA.

Vinca.

Lovely garden or pot plants, producing a profusion of bright blossoms at all times. Seed started early in pots make lovely blooming plants by early summer which will continue in growth and bloom for a year. As bedding plants for the garden they rival the Geranium. Their soft and delicate colors and profuse blooming habit make them at all times attractive. Do not omit them. Mixed colors.....10

The Mayflower Verbena.

With the habit, beauty and fragrance of the Trailing Arbutus, a plant equally valuable for the garden or pots and perpetual bloomer—what more can be desired. It is named Mayflower because the shape of its blossoms, its color, and fragrance are almost identical with the wide-famed and cherished Trailing Arbutus, or as it is called in New England, Mayflower. The flowers are as rich and powerful in fragrance as the Arbutus. The Verbenas, being of a creeping or trailing habit, like the Arbutus, with clusters and individual flowers much the same, one can easily imagine how the addition of the same fragrance may make a close imitation of that most beautiful of all wild flowers.

Mayflower Pink—Varies from light to deep pink, like the Arbutus, with the same unexcelled fragrance. Perfect form and great beauty. A lovely pot or garden flower..15

MAYFLOWER VERBENA

Verbenas.

Like the Pansy, the Aster and the Petunia, the Verbena is a favorite with everybody, and one of the most universally popular of all flowers, both for the garden and for pot culture. For constant and profuse flowering, and for brilliancy and beauty of colors it has no equals. Start seed early under glass, if possible, that good strong plants may be had for transplanting in the garden. They will commence blooming in June and continue until after severe frosts, and during the entire time nothing in the garden will attract more attention than the bed or clump of Verbenas. In August cuttings may be taken from some of the best ones and potted up for winter blooming. Our prize strains are the finest Verbenas in cultivation. Per pkt.

Extra Choice Mixed—From named collection.....10

Odorata-It is so hardy seed can be sown in the open ground early in the spring, where they will quickly germinate, grow rapidly, and in a few weeks be in bloom, and give a great profusion of beautiful blossoms all summer. The blossoms, instead of being in clusters like other sorts, run up into spikes, usually 3 or 4 inches long. Very sweet scented and pure white.....5

CHILDS' PRIZE VERBENAS.

Famous as the finest strain of Verbenas known. We grow four acres of these superb flowers, and know what we are talking about when we say they are the finest of all Verbenas. The plants are vigorous and short-jointed and perfect sheets of blooms. The trusses are very large, the flowers of mammoth size, perfect form and embracing the richest and most velvety colors. They are also delicately sweet scented. The range of color is great, and shades are mostly very delicate and dainty. In coloring they are, in fact, perfectly exquisite, there being very little of the common old blues and purple colors among them. In their place we have delicate blushes, lavenders, pinks, velvety indigoes, intense scarlets, whites, mottled, striped, variegated, etc., in fact a thousand different colors and combinations.

Childs' Prize, Mixed Colors-Hundreds of delicate shades. Enormous sized flowers; prodigious bloomers.....20

Childs' Prize, Pure White—Comes true from seed. Great trusses of snowy blossoms of exquisite fragrance.....15

Childs' Prize, Scarlet—A very intense scarlet.....15

MOSS VERBENAS.

This new Verbena produces a mass of fine moss-like foliage, and as the branches spread out over the ground in all directions, a lovely carpet of mossy green is formed, above which are borne the delicate clusters of purple-blue or pure white blossoms in the wildest profusion, having the same delicate fragrance as the Sweet Alyssum, and form in such profusion that a single plant shows 100 or more clusters at all times. The effect is most charming. Blooms in a very short time from seed. It is novel and beautiful.

Mixed Colors.....10

SPECIAL OFFER.

One pkt. each of the 7 fine Verbenas offered on this page for 75c.

New Miniature, Mixed—A perfectly wonderful plant growing only 4 to 6 inches high and bearing great numbers of double blossoms of various colors. It is so dwarf and compact that a plant looks like a tasty bouquet set in the ground, the mingling of bright blossoms and foliage being very effective..... 5

Fire Ball—Dwarf habit, double blossoms of intense scarlet, as round and perfect as a ball. It makes a fine border or mass, its bright color and perfect habit showing to great advantage.....10

Snow Ball—Exactly like Fire Ball, except color, which is snow-white and makes a charming contrast.....10

Lilliput, Mixed Colors—This strain is the acme of perfection in Zinnias. Plants small and of bushy growth each one bearing scores of beautiful little blossoms of the most perfect shape and brilliant colors. These charming little Zinnias are gems indeed, and should be in every garden..... 5

Gold Bug—Plants grow a foot high and branch freely into beautiful little compact bushes, which are at all times covered with beautiful golden-yellow blossoms as double as roses..... 5

Double Zinnia.

From early childhood the Zinnia has been a special favorite with us, and the strain which we cultivated in our first little garden we still sell and grow as our improved. We have selected the stock seed every year for over thirty years. This careful attention has brought it to wonderful perfection. This Zinnia is a robust, free grower, furnishing an abundance of large, double blossoms which are of varied and brilliant colors, during the entire summer and fall. Each flower keeps perfect for six weeks before fading, and each plant is a great mass of bloom all the time, making a showing which is peculiar. Nothing else can fill their place. Seed should be started inside or sown in the garden about corn-planting time.

Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors—Saved only from select flowers, perfect in shape and color. The finest strain of Zinnias in cultivation. Every plant will produce immense double blossoms of various colors from white to deep crimson, maroon, pink, yellow, orange, scarlet, violet, primrose, buff, striped, etc. Every plant will give fine double flowers. Single and poor flowers long ago disappeared from this strain.....10

Improved Striped—A good strain representing all the leading colors, but all striped. Really the finest strain of Striped or Zebra Zinnias in cultivation.....10

SPECIAL OFFER.

To encourage the free use of our improved Zinnias, we will send one packet each of the seven varieties here offered for only 40c.

Seed of Hardy Garden Plants, Blooming First Year.

Pansies, Dianthus, Bellis, etc., flower quickly and freely the first summer from seed, yet the plants survive the winter in the garden, and bloom early and profusely the next year, and for several years. They are a fine class of easily grown garden flowers. For Pansies see page 20.

Antirrhinum, Giant Scented, OR SNAPDRAGON.

A new giant-flowered strain of the grand old Snapdragon, which in size and beauty of bloom, either in pots or garden almost equals Gladiolus. Per pkt.

Giant White—This new plant is a perpetual bloomer, compact and branching in habit, sending up flower spikes by the dozen, one to two feet in length, almost as large as and more beautiful than Gladiolus. Color pure white, with lemon-tinted throat, and a lovely fragrance. Flowers keep two weeks after being cut.....10

Giant Mixed—Many colors, all large and exceedingly fragrant. Try them both in garden and pots.....10

Tom Thumb—Dwarf and a most beautiful plant. Mixed.. 5

Butterfly Delphinium.

A great novelty, being a hardy perennial that flowers early and freely the first year from seed. Seed sown in the garden in May will give blooming plants in July, which are of dwarf branching habit, producing the large, exquisite blossoms in profusion. A splendid pot plant and grand for bouquets. Plants will winter where they stand and flower magnificently the second year. Mixed colors.....10

EARLY GARDEN PINKS.

Garden Pinks, Early Flowering.

(*See Front Cover*)

A great novelty. We all remember the great bunches of spicy double pink Pinks that bloomed so sweetly in nearly every old garden. These new Pinks are the same, only they bloom the first summer from spring sown seed. The flowers also present an array of fine colors, ranging from white, through different shades of pink, to crimson, some light ones with rich dark centres. Some will be double, others single, and it is hard to tell which are the most beautiful. All have that rich and beautiful fragrance so prized in the old Garden Pinks. Habit very dwarf and compact, one plant often showing a hundred blossoms. Not only do they bloom profusely in June but to a considerable extent all summer and fall.

Early Flowering—All colors mixed..... 15

(*For Plants See Hardy Perennial Plants.*)

Chrysanthemum Storm Petrel.

This is a hardy perennial, with finely-cut, fern-like foliage and dwarf growth. It blooms at all times of the year if kept in pots, and out of door until after frosts have killed almost everything else. It is a very profuse bloomer, and the pretty, rosette-like flowers are pure white, very large and double. It blooms early the first year from seed, and makes a fine plant for both summer and winter...10

Bellis—(Double Daisy.)

Beautiful double flowers that appear in early spring, if plants are slightly protected over winter. Blossoms also early from spring sown-seed, as plants bloom when but two or three inches high.

Double Mixed Colors—White, crimson, rose and variegated; very double..... 5

Giant Daisy—We predict that this new strain of Giant Flowered Double Daisies, (Bellis Perennis) will renew the old popular interest in this most magnificent flower, which like the Pansy blooms early from seed, yet lives over winter and gives the best results in early spring. Of this Giant Strain the flowers are *very large*, double and perfect in form and borne in a profusion heretofore unknown. The colors range from pure white, blush, pink, and rose to deep crimson, many being beautifully tipped and variegated. It is a glorious flower.

Giant Mixed—All shades and combinations of lovely colors.....15

Giant White—Pure as snow, large, double and exquisite.....15

Giant Crimson—Rich deep color.....15

Dianthus.

An indispensable garden flower. A flower fitted equally to adorn the poor man's garden or the spacious grounds of the millionaire. Never out of place in any situation. Succeeds in any soil. Stands neglect, heat and cold and is as near iron-clad as a plant can well be. Like its near relative, the Carnation, the Dianthus is superlatively beautiful, many varieties possessing a radiant-like fire that is impossible to describe, but it is the very acme of richness and beauty. A grand flower for cutting or flower work, and succeeds well in pots for winter bloom if treated like Carnations. Sow early either in house or open ground, and plants will not only bloom all summer and fall, but will survive the winter and bloom the next season. Never sow any but the best seed of Dianthus, if you would have the choicest flowers. Per pkt.

Diadematus flora plena—Splendid double flowers of the richest, darkest shades, fringed, mottled, striped, spotted, flaked, margined, etc., in a most odd and beautiful manner.....10

Double White—Fine for contrast.....10

Eastern Queen—Grand flower 3 or 4 inches across, beautifully striped and shaded, and having colors which are like the richest silks 5

Mirabilis—The petals are cut and divided into long, wavy points which are odd and beautiful and of tremendous size, the flower being larger than that of any other Dianthus we know, while the colors are particularly rich and showy. It is impossible to describe them, they are so marked, marbled and variegated with rich and delicate shades, ranging from deep crimson to pure white.10

Imperialis—Double Imperial Pinks. Robust, bushy growers bearing great quantities of large, double flowers of rich, glowing colors..... 5

Brilliant—A dwarf grower with numerous double flowers of dark, rich red, large as Carnations..... 5

The Bride—Clear, pure white, with a radiant, glowing crimson center, shading into a pink band..... 5

Mixed—Our own mixture of the most beautiful double and single sorts, and of every desirable shade or peculiar markings. This will give a bed of beautiful flowers, and scarcely two plants will be alike.....10

One pkt. each of above 8 sorts for 50c.

TRAILING HOLLYHOCK

Trailing Hollyhock.

A hardy perennial vine which trails over the ground in a beautiful manner. It is really a miniature Trailing Hollyhock. The flowers are bright crimson in color and produced freely, as are also its vines and foliage. We have nothing more beautiful for rock-work, mounds or nooks and corners where a trailing plant is desirable. Perfectly hardy in any situation. Blooms in ninety days from seed, and continues all the season, year after year.....10

Princess Pinks.

These new single Dianthus Pinks are marvels in rich coloring. If double, the wonderful beauty of richest combination of colors ever seen in any flowers would not show to advantage. Treat like any other Dianthus. They bloom early from seed, and will certainly surprise you with their rich, and marvelous combinations of color. The plants are hardy and flower even better the second year than the first. Seed very scarce.....15

PRINCESS PINKS.

Gerbera or Crimson Daisy.

This flowers both summer and winter, and makes a fine pot plant. The flower stems rise from the very crown of the plant at the surface of the soil to a height of two feet, and are exceedingly graceful, bearing a large, daisy-like blossom three or four inches across, and of a fine crimson color, with a velvety texture which makes it particularly beautiful. It blooms all winter in pots and in open ground all summer. Perfectly hardy in the open ground. One of the most graceful and showy flowers we have ever seen.....10

New Multiflora Roses.

Roses from Seed, Blooming in 60 Days.

With seed of these new Roses plants may be had in bloom in 60 to 90 days from the time of sowing. Plant at any time. They grow quickly and flowers appear in large clusters, and in such quantity that a plant looks like a bouquet. Perfectly hardy in the garden, where they bloom all summer. In pots they bloom both summer and winter. From a packet of seed one will get Roses of various colors—white, pink, crimson, etc., no two alike, and mostly perfectly double and very sweet. Greatest novelty of recent years, and gives unbounded satisfaction.

Rose Polyantha Multiflora Hybrids—All colors mixed.
Choicest seed, 15c. per pkt.; 2 pkts., for 25c.

Platycodon Mariesi Tom Thumb.

A perfect gem of a hardy perennial plant, which blooms first year from seed, and for any number of years following, as the roots are perfectly hardy. The plant makes a pretty little tuft of foliage close to the ground, and from its crown sends up slender stems to the height of 5 to 10 inches, bearing VERY LARGE, wide open saucer-shaped blossoms, which are perfectly exquisite. The size of the blossoms is immense, compared with the plants. Most of the plants produce flowers of a deep, rich blue color, but some will be pure white, tinted blue. Seed may be sown in pots early or in open ground. In either case plants will bloom quickly....10

Burbank's New Shasta Daisies.

Mr. Burbank has brought the Shasta Daisy up to marvelous size and long blooming period. It is one of the grandest hardy perennials for any garden, blooming well the first summer from seed started early. Several grand new forms have recently appeared. Some with enormous flat twisted petals. We offer here a mixture of all these splendid new forms some of which have hardly been introduced yet. Do not miss them..... 10

Wallflower.

Early Mixed—Flowers early the first season from seed, blooming in profusion from early June until late autumn frosts without injury. The blossoms are large size and borne in compact, short spikes or clusters, and are exceedingly sweet-scented. The plants are not injured by fall frosts and bloom until December; are also hardy and bloom well the second year. Colors range from yellow to dark brown, striped, etc..... 5

Double Mixed Colors—A favorite English flower, somewhat like Ten Week Stocks. A half-hardy perennial, very fragrant and fine for cutting. Sometimes blossoms first summer.....10

ORNAMENTAL CLIMBERS.

Every garden, every cottage, every fence, wall, stump, or old tree is beautified by the graceful and profuse flowering vines here offered. Vines are nature's draperies and are essential to any and every attempt to beautify one's home surroundings. The following selection is all that can be desired among annual climbers.

The Kudzu Vine.

New Japanese Flowering Bean.

This is the most rapid growing vine known (12 inches in one day.) It has a tuberous root, which is perfectly hardy everywhere, and in spring sends up vigorous shoots, which will quickly shade an entire piazza front. It will grow 50 feet the first summer from seed sown in the open ground in May. Its foliage is very luxuriant, and its rose-colored fragrant flowers are produced in large clusters. For covering porches, arbors, fences, stumps, dead trees, etc., with a luxuriant curtain of foliage, and in the shortest possible space of time, there is no climber that can equal it.....10

Flowering Bean.

Flowering Beans are as beautiful as Sweet Peas, and fine as tall, luxuriant climbers. Finely scented.

Japanese White, or Wistaria Bean—This new flowering Bean is from Japan and produces its long clusters of fine pure white flowers in the greatest profusion. These flowers so closely resemble the glorious White Wistaria and are borne in such fine Wistaria-like clusters that it is most appropriately called the White Wistaria Bean. It is a fine, rapid climber, and just covers itself with flowers which are beautiful and finely scented..... 10

Pink Wistaria—Much like the above, but a rich violet pink and white, followed by dark ebony-red pods.....10

Scarlet Runner—Masses of intense scarlet flowers.....10

Mixed Sorts—Many colors.....10

Cypress Vine.

One of the prettiest vines imaginable; thickly clothed with dark green, feathery foliage of great beauty and dotted with intensely bright velvety flowers that shine like little stars against their glossy background of green. Fine for training to small trellises or to run up poles or strings.

Mixed Colors—White, scarlet, etc..... 5

Canary Bird Flower.

A dainty vine with beautiful cut leaves and pretty, delicate flowers of a clear canary yellow. From the color of its blossoms, and also from a fancied resemblance of their shape to a bird with wings expanded, the plant obtains its common name. A pretty vine for the window..... 5

Cobæa.

One of the finest of all climbers, equally good for out of doors or for house culture. Pretty foliage and large, bell-shaped flowers that open a clear green, but turn to a lovely purplish blue. Plant seed edgewise in moist but not wet soil, cover to prevent evaporation, and do not water again unless soil becomes very dry. When seedlings appear water with great moderation until out of seed leaf.

Scandens—Fine bluish purple..... 5

Gourds, Ornamental.

Well-known climbers, with the most fantastic and grotesque fruit imaginable. Fine for covering sheds, training over fences or brush piles, and always sure to attract the attention of the children, who love to play with the pretty striped and oddly crooked fruits. Keep perfect for years.

Mixed Sorts—All sizes, shapes and colors..... 10

Nest Egg Improved—A striking vine when hanging full of its pretty, curious fruit that so closely resembles smooth, well-shaped hen's eggs that a hen might well be excused for claiming them as her own production. As the shells become very tough and hard they do not crack or bust open in freezing weather, and are thus very useful for nest eggs. Very ornamental as well...10

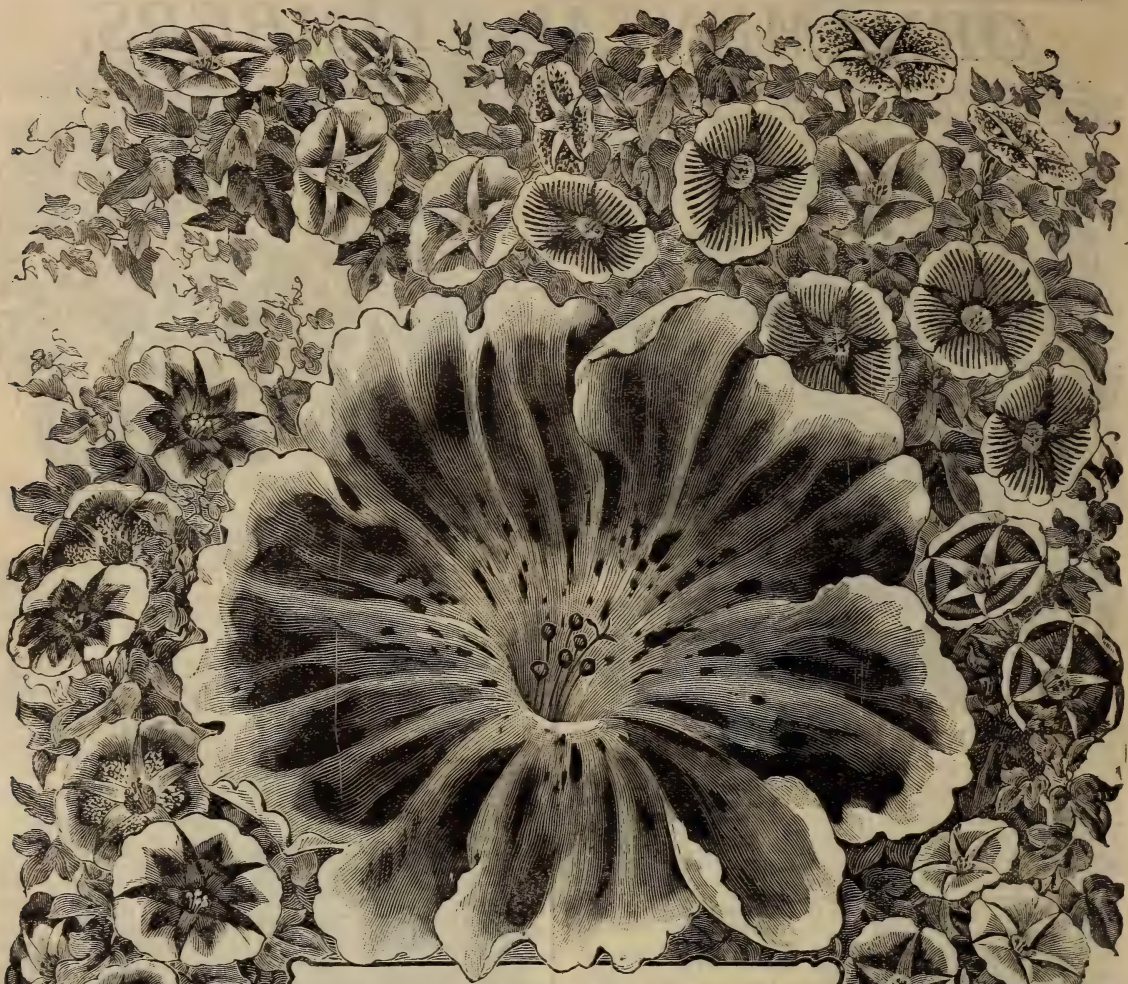
Dipper—Another useful Gourd that as the fruit is light and strong and does not rust or rot or heat easily, is just right to use in dipping hot liquids soaps, etc., besides being useful for birds' nests, fancy hanging baskets, etc..... 5

Sugar Trough—Enormous hard-shelled fruits, holding from three to ten gallons each and as they never rust or rot and are very light and strong are just right to use as receptacles for lard, salt, seed corn soap etc., or to use as nesting boxes, buckets, etc. They last for years.. 5

Fragrant—Oval round fruits 2 to 9 inches long, and nearly as thick through. Pretty striped or mottled shells, the inside filled with musk melon-like flesh and seeds. One fruit will perfume a room with the most delicious odor.10

Early Luffa—Seed sown in the open ground in any Northern State or Canada, like Cucumbers, will bear and ripen an abundance of fruit before frosts. The lace-like network of fiber which forms inside the fruits is a very useful article, and is used for various purposes, such as dish-rags, sponges, and even for bouquets and other millinery work. The flowers of this variety are also very numerous, large and showy.....10

Above 6 sorts for only 40c.



Japan Morning Glories.

CHILDS' GIANT IMPERIAL

A new strain with gigantic blooms as large as Moonflowers, colors, markings and variegations never before seen, and of indescribable beauty. Seed germinates quickly, and the vines grow rapidly and are soon in bloom. The flowers are borne by the hundreds, are of enormous size, five or six inches across, and of the most delicate, vivid and blending colors to be seen in any flower. Some will be pure white, others crimson, brick-red, light and dark blues, pinks, etc., while others show a rich and varied combination of colors blended together in a most enchanting way: spotted, blotched, striped, stained, penciled, bordered, mottled and variegated in every conceivable manner. To add to their beauty the leaves of many of the varieties are richly marbled and variegated white and green. Nothing among flowers can furnish a more beautiful sight than a screen, hedge, or trellis of the Giant Morning Glories. To secure the beautiful varieties which we here offer, our agent traveled in Japan, from garden to garden, collecting a little seed from each one. Per pkt.

Mixed, All Colors—More than 100 kinds, (oz. 50c)...10
Giant Mikado—The newest and grandest strain with enormous blossoms, and the greatest range of beautiful colors and fantastic variegations....20
Ceres—Extra fine. Bright magenta, with wide white border. Foliage variegated.....10
Aurata-Elegant yellow foliage, often marbled white; flowers of various colors. Perfectly exquisite....10
Antigone-Marbled foliage, large sky-blue blossoms.10
Double Mixed Colors—Many plants from this seed will produce double blossoms.....20

Above 6 pkts for 50c.

COMMON MORNING GLORY

The fine old Morning Glory is as lovely now as when it was the pet of our grandmothers. Give the dear old vine a place.

Mixed Colors-The old-fashioned climbing (oz. 10c) 5

JAPANESE

MORNING GLORIES.

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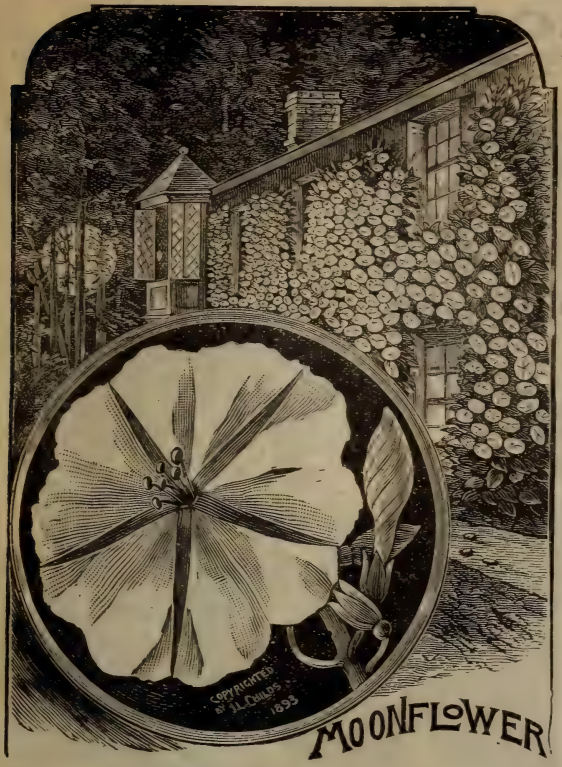


Moonflower.

The most popular quick growing vine in cultivation. Its rapid, luxuriant growth; its thick, overlapping, glossy foliage, and its nightly scores of immense silky blooms of rare fragrance, are merits that cannot be overestimated. By actual count a strong vine will bear one to three thousand of its superb blossoms in a season. Very fine for piazzas.

Per pkt.

Ipomœa Noctiphiton—Grand foliage and magnificent snow-white blossoms four or five inches across. Stands drouth like a Salamander. Give it a rich soil.....10

Ipomœa Learei—A large vine. Flowers lovely azure blue, with faint crimson bars.....10

Ipomœa Childsi—Enormous size; pure white.....15

Northern Light—Similar, but beautiful pink.....10

Ipomœa Chrysantha—Fine large yellow blossoms.....15

Mixed Moonflower Seed—All the above, and others.....15

NEW IVY-LEAVED MOONFLOWER, (*Day Bloomer.*)

A new Moonflower which opens its blossoms early in the morning (instead of evening), and remains open nearly all day. It is the greatest bloomer of all vines, a single plant producing *thousands* of flowers *each day*. It is also the quickest growing vine and will reach the farthest. Seed germinates quickly and freely like a Morning Glory, and vines begin to bloom much earlier than any other Moonflower. Flowers pink or creamy white; leaves ivy-shaped and produced in great masses, making a dense shade. Vines graceful and of rapid growth, reaching 20 feet in a season and covering an immense amount of space. The smaller size of foliage and flowers relieves the vines from the coarse appearance of Moonflowers, instead of which the effect is most graceful and charming.

White—Tinted cream.....10

Clear Pink—Very fine shade.....10

Both Colors Mixed.....15

Maurandya.

It has an exceedingly graceful habit, very handsome, dense foliage, pretty fox-glove-like blossoms, borne in great profusion, and keeps green until after severe frosts. A beautiful vine for hanging baskets, with its dainty white, maroon and rose-colored blossoms. Mixed colors..... 5

Thunbergia.

A lovely trailing plant with large showy flowers. It will trail over the ground, forming a dense mat of foliage and flowers. Colors range through all shades of yellow, orange, buff to pure white, mostly with jet black centers, or eyes, which are very effective. Sometimes called "Black-eyed Susan." Also a superb pot plant and one that will bloom freely during winter. All colors mixed..... 5

Climbing Nasturtiums.

Climbing Nasturtiums can be used as bedders by pegging the long shoots to the ground, as low climbers for window or screen, or used as house climbers in winter. They are never molested by insects, and are quick, clean growers that soon cover themselves with flowers of the brightest, richest colors. Everyone likes them who tries them. They withstand heat and drouth well.

Per pkt.

Mixed, All Colors—Very fine. Oz., 20c..... 5

Mad. Gunthert Hybrids—A new strain of large flowered, elegantly blotched and marked sorts. More than twenty different colors and shades appear among them. All of new and peculiar beauty. Splendid, rapid growers, and fine foliage.....10

Caprice—This lovely Nasturtium is a climber, and bears large blossoms in abundance, some of which will be yellow, some crimson, some rose, and others beautifully mottled and variegated. Fine for windows.....10

Othello—A novelty of this year. A fine climber, with black flowers and dark vines and foliage. A very novel, unique and beautiful variety.....10

Lobbianum, or Oriole—Mixed colors, many shades, and all with fine fimbriated petals. Colors intense and very striking, being far more brilliant than other Nasturtiums. Foliage also very beautiful and the growth of vines exceedingly graceful. For garden culture they are superb; but for window culture they are grand, as they grow and flower freely during fall, winter and spring.....10

New Golden Climber—A splendid climbing Nasturtium, with beautiful golden colored leaves and brilliant blossoms of a great variety of fine colors. It makes a vine, either for the garden or window, which is of the most striking oddity and beauty, and will attract attention. The bright colored blossoms, mingled with the charming light yellow leaves, producing a pretty effect.....10

One pkt. each of these 6 Climbing Nasturtiums for 40c.

Variegated Hop.

A new annual Japanese Hop which is a wonderful quick and vigorous grower like the Kudzu Vine. The large handsome leaves are beautifully variegated, white, green, and pale yellow. It is a highly ornamental vine and one that will grow in any situation and cover an immense amount of space, reaching 15 to 20 feet.....10

MISCELLANEOUS SEEDS.

Dahlias, Cannas, Anemones, and Freesias bloom the first season from seed, and make fine bulbous roots for future planting. Gladiolus, Lilies, Iris, and Honeysuckle, bloom second season.

Cannas, Childs' Extra Early Dwarf.

Grown from Seed Flowering in Three Months.

These wonderful Cannas, dwarf and compact in growth, with highly ornamental foliage, produce their magnificent clusters of brilliant blossoms all the summer and fall from spring sown seed. In no other way can so small an expenditure produce such a bed of glorious flowers for so long a period. They are simply marvelous, showing colors and variegations ranging from almost white to brilliant scarlet and dark maroon, rosy pink, yellow, orange, buff, lemon, striped, bronzed, tinted and variegated in a wonderful manner. Foliage is large and musa-like, in some plants a rich green color, in others a deep reddish maroon and highly ornamental. These New Cannas are appropriately called "Gladiolus-flowered" on account of their size and beauty.

Extra Early Dwarf—Mixed all colors and shades.....15

Extra Early Dwarf Red Leaved—Leaves rich maroon red, bronze etc. Flowers of various colors.....20

Crozy's Mixed Dwarf—A superb mixture.....10

Dahlia.

Good Dahlias can be grown from seed, and plants will bloom the first season from seed. Anyone who can raise a Zinnia or a Morning Glory can grow Dahlias from seed. They are remarkably easy to germinate, and from the very seed leaf the plants are stocky and sturdy. Seed sown in the house in March or April will produce flowering plants as soon as plants grown from tubers. Some of the finest, largest Dahlias, and the richest colors we have ever seen, were among seedlings. Give good soil and never let the plants suffer for water, and our word for it, you will be more than satisfied. Out of a large paper of seed, no two plants will be alike in flower, while there will be every color represented from snow-white to blackish maroon. Start seed in house and transplant to open ground after frost is gone.

Double Large-Flowering, Mixed—Will produce some magnificent varieties.....15

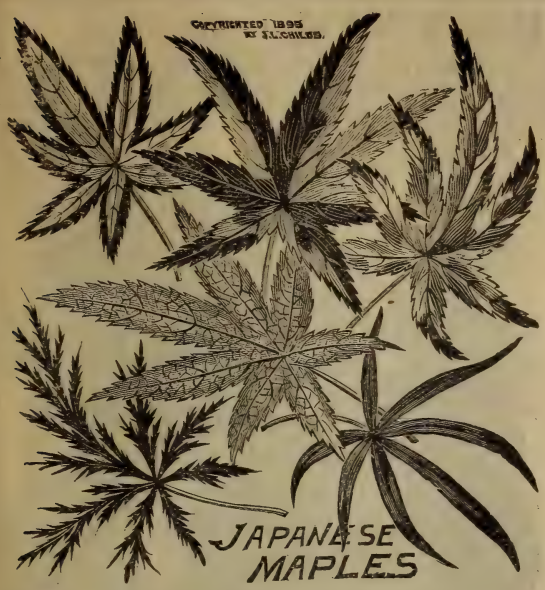
Double Pompon, Mixed—Extra choice strain.....10

New Single, Mixed Colors—Flowers very large and of rainbow colors. Exceedingly popular as cut flowers.. 5

Imperial Cactus—A new class of Dahlias with large double fantastic blossoms, which in shape and brilliancy of colors rival the finest Cactus. All colors and shapes are represented, some like Japanese Chrysanthemums....20

Imperialis—The "Lily Dahlia," grows 10 to 12 feet high, and bears panicles of elegant Lily-like flowers measuring eight inches from tip to tip of petals.....10

One packet each of the 5 for 50c.



Japanese Maples are the most beautiful, unique, and the highest-priced Ornamental Shrubs to be had; hence they are seldom seen. When small they make most charming pot plants, the varied colors and patterns of the leaves making them attractive. As they get larger they may be planted permanently on the lawn, as they are hardy, where they will make most beautiful objects. The leaves of the various sorts range in color from dark crimson to pink, green, white, etc., many being beautifully variegated and mottled. Besides their fine colors they are beautifully cut and divided. Mixed seed of many sorts.....10

Honeysuckle.

Everyone knows the Honeysuckle, with its delicious fragrance but everyone does not know that it is quite easily grown from seed, blooming often the first season.....10

Nymphæa.

Lovely Pond Lilies of which everyone is so fond. Many of the foreign varieties grow and bloom from seed the first year, and among them there are a great variety of colors, white, yellow, blue, purple, etc. Seed should be sown in a pan or saucer of mud just covered with water. In a warm temperature they will germinate quickly, and grow rapidly. These Lilies have a fragrance rich and peculiar.

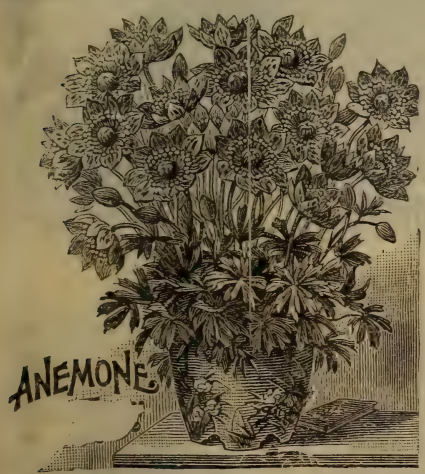
Zanzibarensis—The grand African Water Lily, with enormous incurved flowers of the most exquisite coloring, and so profuse blooming that a tub of them is never without flowers from early summer until frost. They grow so rapidly that they will bloom in ten weeks from seed and are so little trouble anyone can succeed with them. Give them a very rich soil, full sun, and shallow water to start in. Mixed colors.....20

Coerulea—Four inches across, beautiful lavender blue....10

Odorata Alba—Native, pure white Water Lily 10

Chinese Lantern Plant.

The plant produces white flowers, which are followed by large inflated husks, much the shape of Chinese lanterns, at first a green color, changing to brightest scarlet, and as they hang suspended among the green foliage they present a most novel and beautiful appearance. In these husks or "lanterns" a fruit is borne, in color a deep ruby-red, and good either for cooking, preserving or eating raw..... 5



FREESIA.

Anemone, St. Bridge.

The new St. Bridge Anemones bloom very quickly from seed and make splendid garden or pot plants, and bulbs are good for an annual display of beauty for years after. Flowers large, some double, and some single and of all colors. It is certainly interesting to grow these charming flowers from seed. Mixed colors 10

Gladiolus.

It is very interesting to raise Gladiolus from seed. The range of color and beauty of bloom in seedlings is very great. One never sees two seedlings alike. Sow seed in light, sandy soil in the open ground, about corn planting time, and shade until they germinate. Might be started earlier in hot-beds, if desired. Seedlings generally bloom the second summer, and sometimes the first.

Childsi Hybrids—Early flowering mixed.....10

Freesia.

It is not generally known that these beautiful, fragrant flowering plants may be grown to great satisfaction in four months from seed. Seed may be sown at any time in pots and boxes, or frames, of light rich soil. They will soon germinate, and under favorable circumstances they will bloom finely within four months from time of sowing..... 10

Iris Kæmpferi.

These lovely giant-flowered Japanese Iris grow readily from seed and make fine flowering plants. Some will be double, some single, but all of different colors. No two alike.10

Lilium Tenuifolium.

This, the brightest and most showy of all Lilies, grows freely from seed, and flowers the second season. For cut and full description see Bulbs.....10

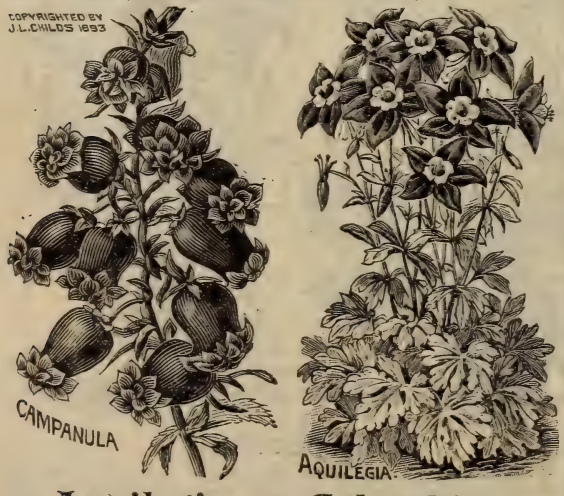
HARDY PERENNIALS.

These are all hardy plants which live in the garden year after year, blooming every spring or summer with little or no care. They are exceedingly beautiful, while many of them are among the brightest gems of the floral kingdom. As a rule, they bloom early in the spring, when the garden is almost destitute of flowers. What garden is complete without the Sweet William, Digitalis, Delphinium, Aquilegia, Hollyhock, etc.? Do not fail to sow seed of a good collection of these beautiful hardy plants this season; they will be a joy for the rest of your lifetime. Sow seed in the open ground any time from May 1st to the end of July.

Aster Alpina.

One of the most charming hardy perennial plants we have ever seen. Its flowers are borne in profusion early in spring, and are the size of a large wild Daisy, about three inches across, composed of a double row of intensely blue petals surrounding a golden yellow center. It is double the size of any other hardy Aster, and closely resembles a large Paris Daisy in shape and general appearance. Another important point is its extreme earliness, beginning to bloom usually in May.

Mixed—Blue, white and several fine colors.....10



Aquilegia or Columbine.

One of the best of the early summer perennials. Curious flowers, extremely graceful, and borne in great quantities high above the foliage which itself is very beautiful and attractive, Extra fine for cutting.

Prize Mixture—100 varieties, double and single, all colors 5

New Double Mixed-New double varieties of many colors.10

Campanula.

Beautiful plants known as Canterbury Bells. Large bell-shaped flowers, very cheerful and attractive. Colors, blue, white, pink, etc. Sow seed in open ground, cover lightly and thin plants to stand twelve inches apart.

Double, Mixed Colors—A fine strain.....5

Hollyhock.

Our Superb Giant Double Strain.

One of the finest of all perennials, and unsurpassed as a stately, imposing plant for backgrounds, screens, center of wide borders, etc. Plants grow from four to six feet high, and bear pyramidal spikes of large, rosette-like flowers of every shade and color, from pure white to almost black. The yellow, magenta, rose and black are intensely pure and deep, while the pure white, pale lemon, soft pink and lavender shades are exquisitely soft and delicate. The pearly blooms of the white Hollyhock are as fine for all floral work as the best double Rose or Camellia. If seeds are started very early, plants often bloom by fall.

Double White—Pure and true.....10

" **Magenta**—Fine bright color.....10

" **Lemon**—Pure, bright lemon color.....10

" **Pink**—Very delicate and pretty.....10

" **Black**—Rich, chocolate black.....10

1 pkt., each above 5 for 30c.

Double, Mixed Colors—Very choice, embracing over twenty different shades.....10

Mammoth Allegheny—Flowers 4 to 6 inches across, finely fringed and curled, and of such exquisite shading as to resemble crushed silk. Colors, pink, red, rose, shaded, tinted, bordered, etc., all mixed 10

Early Flowering or Annual—Blooms first season.....10

Digitalis.

One of our special favorites. This, with the double Hollyhocks, and the Delphiniums, form a stately trio of tall growing plants of which nothing finer can be chosen for backgrounds, center of wide borders, interspersing with shrubbery, etc. If plants are not allowed to seed, they are crowded for months by long pyramidal spikes of lovely pendant thimble-shaped bells, snow white, rosy blush, exquisitely shaded or spotted. The blossoms are nearly or quite two inches in length, and lap each other with utmost regularity.

Gloxinoides Grandiflora—A strain with large, beautiful Gloxinia-like blossoms. All colors mixed..... 5

Delphinium.

Mixed Colors—One of the choicest perennials known and increases in beauty each year. Tall, stately growing, with immense spikes of the most brilliant flowers in all shades of lavender, mauve, pale, medium and deep, dark blues, plants often bloom the first summer. Very hardy. 5

Candytuft Hardy.

One of the very best early perennials, extra fine for cemetery use, as the plants are a solid mass of white at just the time when flowers are most scarce, and as the plants are perfectly hardy they need no fussing with. Those who have never grown the Hardy Candytuft have missed a floral treat.

Pruiti—Dwarf, extra and fine 10

Sempervirens—Large flowering, pure white..... 5

Perennial Phlox.

The Perennial Phlox is now one of the most popular and most magnificent of garden flowers. The new large flowered hybrids are large, brilliant and beautiful and bloom freely all summer. Seed is uncertain in germination to a certain extent, unless sown in fall, or sown in soil and allowed to freeze.

New Hybrids—All colors mixed, perfectly magnificent. Sow in fall or very early in spring during freezing weather if possible..... 10

PERENNIAL POPPY

New Perennial Poppies.

If there is a more gorgeous flower anywhere than the Perennial or Oriental Poppy we fail to know it. The most indifferent observer stands spellbound in the presence of its magnificent fire-like flowers with their silky texture and foil-like heart of innumerable purple-black stamens. Each bloom is as large as a saucer, and sits perched like a bird on the end of a swaying, hairy, slender stem, high above the deeply-incised and handsome foliage. Many consider it the most showy flower that blooms. A grand plant to light up dark corners and dull shrubbery.

New Hybrids Mixed—Grows early and quickly from seed, and gives a great variety of superb colors..... 10

STOKESIA

Stokesia or Cornflower Aster.

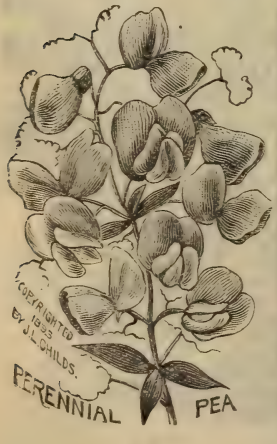
A lovely hardy perennial, and a free bloomer all summer, a rare merit among perennials. Plants grow 18 to 25 inches high and begin blooming early. The blossoms are Aster-like, fine lavender-blue in color and very handsome. Grows well in any situation, and is sure to become immensely popular and please all..... 10

CARNATION, ERFURT GIANTS.

Hardy Carnations.

These are perfectly hardy, standing the winter in the open ground like a Sweet William and blooming most profusely in May or June. The flowers are extra large and perfect in form, very double and of every color, including fine yellows and dull shades of blue. They bloom much more freely than greenhouse Carnations, a plant often showing 50 to 75 flowers.

Carnation Pink, Early Dwarf Vienna—Mixed colors....10
Carnation Pink, Erfurt Giants—Extra large and fine....20
Picotee Pink—Flowers more delicate than other pinks and pleasantly fragrant. Fine mixed..... 10



Perennial Peas.

No praise can be too high for this lovely iron-clad vine, that blooms constantly from early summer until late autumn, minding neither heat or cold, rain or drouth. Plants of vigor and healthfulness, bearing a profusion of long-stalked clustered flowers, white, pink and deep rose in color, each flower an inch or more across, 4 to 6 feet in height.

Mixed, All Colors..... 5
Pure White—Superb..... 10

Hibiscus, Hardy Hybrids.

A fast growing perennial that in one season attains the height and dimensions of a shrub. Exceedingly fine for clumps or an ornamental hedge or screen, as they last always, never winter kill, and in midsummer, when shrubbery flowers are scarce, they bear for weeks enormous flowers as large as tea saucers, white, blush, pale and deep pink, rose, etc., the most of them with deeper-hued eye. Plants from spring-sown seed will bloom in September.....10

Sweet William.

The favorite flower of our grandmothers. One of the best edging plants for the border, bearing in early summer large heads of the richest and most varied colors. Very fragrant and a favorite with everyone for vases and bouquets.

Improved Mixed Colors—Perfect in form, large in size, brilliant and varied in colors..... 5
Double Mixed Colors—Fine double blossoms.....10

Yucca Filamentosa.

The grandest evergreen plant we have for the lawn. The leaves are extremely ornamental. Flowers are in immense compound panicles of creamy, bell-shaped florets two inches across. A single panicle will contain 300 or more florets, and will be two feet in length..... 5

Seeds for Window or Greenhouse Culture.

Seed of choice window plants is a leading specialty with us, most of which we raise in our own greenhouses and on our place in California. Our strains of all these are the best to be found. Nothing can surpass our Abutilons, Begonias, Carnations, Coleus, Chrysanthemums, Geraniums, Heliotrope, Palms, Primulas, etc. All of these are easily grown from seed, flowering in a short time, and will give the most magnificent and satisfactory results. We strongly urge our customers to grow window plants from seed.

The satisfaction derived from the cultivation of house plants is not alone in seeing them bloom. There is joy in seeing them grow and develop day by day, and the one who starts a plant from seed and rears it up to bloom gets all the pleasure there is in plant culture. Geraniums, Carnations, Chrysanthemums, Gloxinias, Begonias, Heliotrope, etc., are easily grown from seed, and it is really fascinating to raise them in this way, watching each plant as it unfolds its blooms, noting its form, color and other characteristics, and when occasionally we discover an immensely fine one much superior to any we have ever before seen or heard of—the highest pleasure and satisfaction possible to get from plants and flowers is ours. It is from seed that all fine new varieties of house plants are produced, and it is not uncommon for a seedling Chrysanthemum or Carnation to be worth more than a thousand dollars. Our strains of all these seeds are much finer than are usually sold. They are the choicest which can be grown.

Asparagus.

All splendid foliage plants unsurpassed for bouquet making.

Sprengeri—A new variety of the finest ornamental qualities. For hanging pots or bracket pots when the masses of rich foliage can droop in its natural grace, it is one of the loveliest objects it is possible to find for window decorations. For cutting it lasts weeks in water. Plants also blossom freely and bear large red berries which add greatly to the beauty of the wavy foliage. Nothing finer for decorating, or for bouquet making.....10

Plumosus Nanus—Fine lace-like foliage, compact and most exquisite. A grand foliage plant.....10

Downy Plume—The most beautiful of the dwarf sorts....20

Abutilon.

As indispensable for the window or greenhouse as the Petunia is for the flower garden. Will stand more abuse and neglect than almost any other house plant. Grows rapidly from seed, and is soon in bloom. Leaves are very ornamental and are often beautifully variegated. Lovely bell-shaped flowers, borne the year round, and in all colors—white, pink, yellow, orange, red, etc. All home grown seed.

Choice Hybrids Mixed—All colors mixed.....10

Infanta Eulalia Hybrids, Mixed—Large blossoms of various colors. The finest of all Abutilons, blooming freely all the year, and making a short-jointed, bushy growth that is much more desirable than the tall growing kinds. Many colors mixed, pink, white, yellow, etc. Our own growing.....20

Begonia.

One of the most beautiful of all window plants, handsome in foliage, and bearing great quantities of lovely flowers of wax-like texture and exquisitely soft, delicate shades. Seed are very fine and need care in sowing, but the flowers repay all care given. Seedlings bloom in five to eight months.

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids—Fine single mixed. See Bulb-Department.....15

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids Double—Fine mixed.....20

New Hybrids Mixed—Large flowering and perpetual blooming. This is a mixture of the newest and rarest named flowering Begonias. It includes many fine hybrids, and seed is saved from our noted collection of rare sorts. We have taken the greatest pains in hybridizing this seed, and it will produce many new forms...15

Vernon, Mixed Colors—Single and double, flowers perpetually the year around, the plants being completely covered with bloom all the time, especially during the winter.....10

Rex, Mixed Sorts—Justly celebrated as the finest of ornamental pot plants. Seed saved from our collection of fifty newest named sorts and will give magnificent results. Among them are the beautiful Tuberous-Rooted Rex Begonias which we originated a few years ago.15

Chrysanthemum.

Our Own Select Stock.

Chrysanthemum seed sown in the winter will produce large, vigorous plants by fall, which will give a great profusion of fine flowers, even more than old plants. No matter how many plants you raise, no two will be alike, and some are likely to be valuable. All colors, shapes, sizes and varieties will be produced. The great beauty of a collection of seedling Chrysanthemums cannot be appreciated until it is seen. They are grand, and are very easily raised. Seeds germinate freely and quickly, and the plants, being of a hardy and robust nature, make a rapid growth. We offer only seed of our own saving which has been carefully hybridized and will give grand results.

Per pkt.

Extra Choice, Mixed—All colors and varieties; Japanese, Ostrich Plume, Anemone-flowered, etc.....20

Japanese—Fine mixed double.....25

Ostrich Plume—Or hairy varieties mixed....25

All our Chrysanthemum Seed is pot grown in our own greenhouses, carefully hand Hybridized, and the best to be had anywhere.

SEEDLING CHRYSANTHEMUM.

Monthly or Tree Carnations.

Our Own Select Stock.

A favorite with everyone. Fragrant double flowers of elegant form and exquisite markings. Seeds and plants grow freely as the old garden pink. Spring-sown seeds make fine winter blooming plants. Per pkt.

Monthly or Perpetual—Mixed greenhouse sorts.....10

Lawson Hybrids—This seed is grown in our own greenhouses and is saved from the newest, largest and finest known kinds, such as pink and white Lawson, Blue Bedder, etc. All carefully hybridized. Will produce magnificent varieties 20

Hardy Hybrids—Hardy free bloomers extra fine for the garden or for pots. Many fine colors mixed.....15

Childs' Improved Giant Rainbow Coleus.

This is one of the most magnificent Novelties we ever introduced. It grows easily and rapidly from seed, making fine specimen plants in two or three months, and if you raise a thousand of them no two will be alike. The leaves are large (often a foot long) and wavy, spotted, mottled striped, splashed, marbled, etc., with the most rich and charming colors--white, purple, pink, crimson, green, yellow velvety red and black—in endless variety. Such colors; such combinations and contrasts! They excel Fancy-Leaved Caladiums and all other foliage plants. We never put out a finer novelty than this, or one the magnificence of which will prove such a surprise and delight to those who grow it. The seed we offer is saved from the magnificent specimens which have been so greatly admired at our conservatories. We first offered these Coleus some years ago, but have now a greatly improved strain. Pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts., 50c.

Callas.

These are easily grown from seed, many blooming within a year.

Ethiopica Praecox—A dwarf, compact, large flowering white Calla of great beauty, and it grows and flowers quickly from seed. For cut and full description see Plant department.....10

Ethiopica Gigantea—Four times larger than any other Calla! See cut and description among Plants. New and grand.....15

Childsiana—Enormous, and quick bloomer....10

Rhemanni—Glorious new pink Calla.....20

Elliottiana—Giant yellow Calla.....20

Cineraria.

A wondrously beautiful greenhouse or window plant, and not at all hard to grow. The large, luxuriant leaves surmounted in late winter and spring by immense panicles of magnificent large flowers of the most brilliant colors. Nothing could be more showy or effective, in the window; in fact no flower is more showy or effective, and the flowers last in full glory for two or three months. Colors exceedingly rich and velvety, ranging from crimson-black to pure white, through all the shades of crimson and blues, frequently with large white centers or exquisite borders. Per pkt.

Grandiflora, Mixed—Large-flowering prize varieties.....10

Grandiflora, Dwarf Mixed—Two to three inches across.20

Double Flowered—Extra choice mixed, all fine, double blossoms.....25

Calceolaria.

One of the handsomest and most striking pot plants we know of. Each plant bears hundreds of pocket-like flowers spotted and marked in the most curious manner. Our great show of Calceolarias during the late winter and spring months is one of the noted attractions of Floral Park.

Dwarf Hybrids—Large flowering, mixed colors.....15

Grandiflora—Spotted and tinged, as well as fine self-colors; very large and exceedingly fine.....20

Childs' Quick Flowering, Giant Perfection Geranium Seed.

Our grand new Geraniums are very easily grown from seeds, and if started early will bloom the first summer and fall. Seedling plants are always healthy and make a strong, luxuriant growth, blooming more freely than old plants especially during fall and winter. Anyone can produce magnificent results in growing Geraniums from seed and our new strains are the finest of all Geraniums in cultivation. All seed we offer is our own saving from our plants at home, or from our place in California, where Geranium seed growing is a leading specialty.

Childs' New Giant Flowered Perfection (or Quick Flowering.)

Habit compact, with large, healthy foliage. Flowers perfect in shape, round and sometimes beautifully cupped. Trusses immense and the blooming qualities of the plant truly wonderful. But in coloring they are perfect marvels, showing combinations and brightness of tints hitherto unknown. The spotted or speckled varieties are very novel and extremely attractive. Flowers quickly from seed and in every respect are superior to all other Geraniums. Per pkt.

Single Mixed Colors—All types with varied and brilliant colors. Saved from more than 50 magnificent sorts, all finest named varieties, plants of which are offered elsewhere in this catalogue.....20

Single Pure White—Extra large and fine.....25

Single Pink—Exquisite shades.....15

Single Scarlet—All very brilliant.....10

Single Spotted and Striped—All superbly variegated; new.25

Double White—Extra fine pure white.....30

Double Mixed—All colors and a magnificent lot. Saved from our own superb Hybrids. This seed will produce some of the grandest double Geraniums ever seen.....30

Bruant Mammoth Double—A new French strain of Geranium, plants of which grow to an immense size, one-half larger than any other sort. The flowers and trusses are also enormous and double. All colors mixed...25

Above 8 for $1.25.

Other Fine Geraniums.

Zonal Mixed—A fine strain of the common Zonal varieties all extra fine.....10

Bronze, Silver and Gold—Mixed, superb foliage varieties exquisite coloring.....20

Apple Scented—Lovely foliage, highly perfumed like ripe luscious apples. Extra fine for bouquets, etc.....10

Pelargonium, or Lady Washington—Fine mixed. These are perfectly magnificent, but seed is so scarce that only a very little can be given in a pkt. Our collection is a superb one.....25

Tricolor—Beautiful in leaf and bloom. The finest of all tri-color Geraniums, much better than the good old Mrs. Pollock. Its large thick leaves are rayed and zoned with scarlet, gold, pink, green, salmon, etc., like a rainbow.....25

Ivy Leaved—Double mixed; extra fine, with magnificent trusses of bright colored flowers, and a beautiful trailing habit, with rich, ivy-like foliage.....20

One pkt. each of the 6 for $1.00.

Cyclamen.

For cut and full description of our grand new Cyclamen, see Bulb Department. Our strain of Cyclamen seed is the finest to be had, for we have made a specialty of this flower for several years and secured the finest improved sorts. All our Cyclamen have most elegant variegated foliage and very large and perfect flowers of the most delicate and charming colors.

Persicum Giganteum—Finest mixture.....20

Ferns.

Ferns are exquisite for table or drawing-room decorations, wardian cases, hanging baskets, rockeries. Spores are very fine, and should be surface sown on sifted soil and covered with glass. If sown in ordinary pot saucers, necessary moisture can be supplied by placing a saucer of soil inside of a large saucer that has been filled with water.

Mixed—Many fine sorts.....10
Boston Ferns—Finest of all. Several sorts mixed.....10

FUCHSIA.

Fuchsia.

Lovely pot plants, which bloom profusely at all times. Grows rapidly from seed, producing many fine new sorts.
Mixed Hybrids—Finest seed from best double and single named sorts.....20

Aloe and Gasteria.

The oldest and most attractive of the popular succulents. Keel-ridged leaves, thick, heavy and dark, beautifully marked with white. The bright scarlet flowers are in racemes a foot long, and are produced in winter, and make a very pretty specimen.

Mixed Sorts.....10

Acacia Baileyiana.

A most superb flowering Acacia suitable for growing in pots. Nothing more beautiful. See offer of plants in Plant Department.....10

Chinese Hibiscus.

Where can we find a more striking plant than this, with its glossy leaves and huge flaming flowers of satin-like texture? Summer and winter, it is always budding and blooming, and if it becomes too large for the window can be wintered in the cellar. Pots of Hibiscus are extra fine for piazza or balcony, and for bedding out in summer.

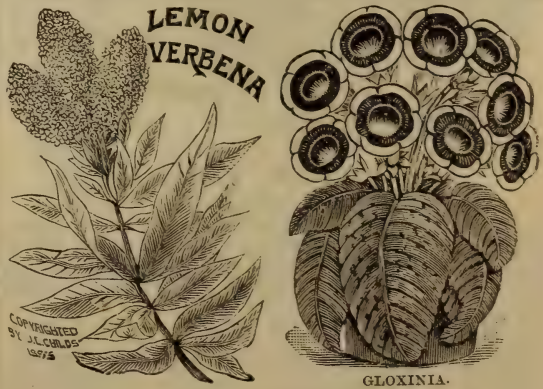
Mixed Double and Single—All colors.....10

Gloxinia.

See also Bulb Department.

Gloxinias grow well from seed, and, if given good care, will bloom in five months from the time of sowing of seed, giving large and beautiful blossoms. Our seed is extra choice, and the fine bulbs we offer are all grown from seed.

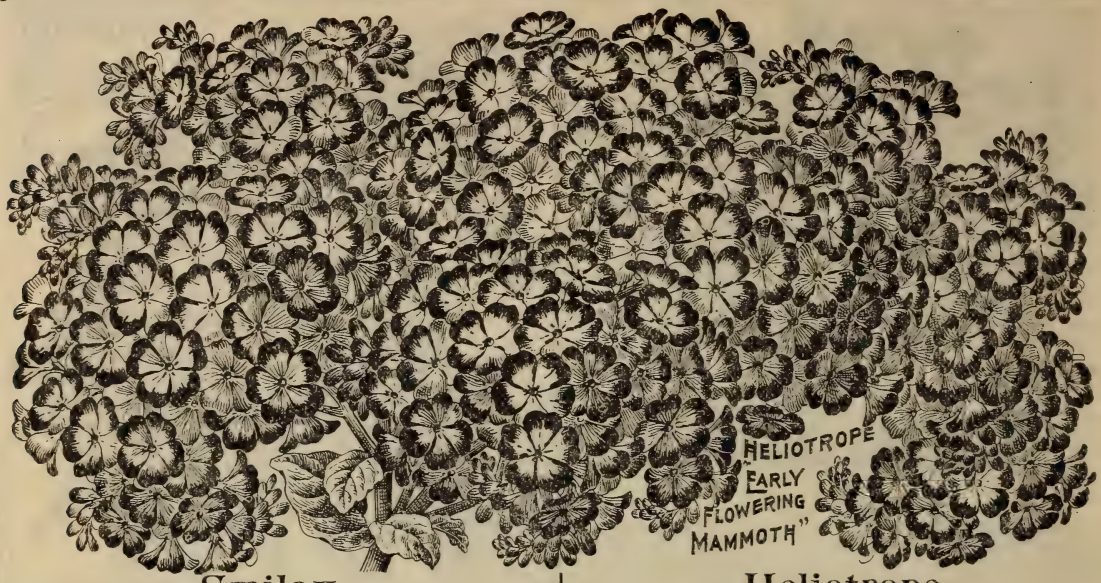
Fine Mixed—From a good collection.....10
Childs' Giant Mixed—The largest and finest of all strains of Gloxinias. Blooms in a short time from seed.....20



GLOXINIA.

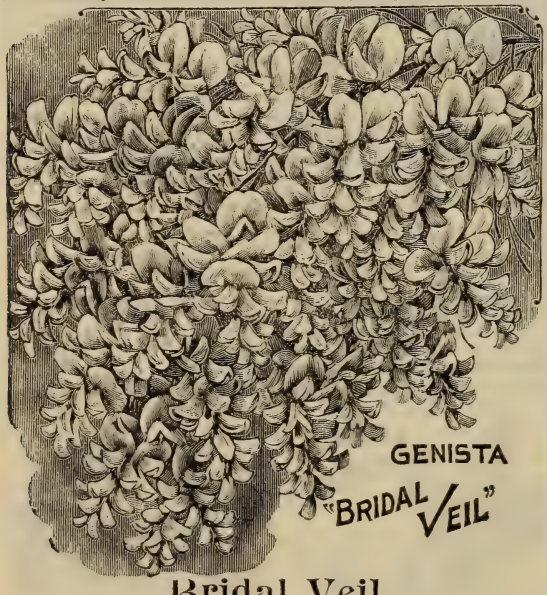
Lemon Verbena.

Everyone knows the Lemon Verbena, and everyone ought to have a few specimens of it; its fragrant foliage is so fine to use for bouquets and other work.....10



Smilax.

This elegant vine is easily grown from seed. Not only a fine window vine, but exceedingly fine for outdoor planting wherever a small growing vine is wanted. In the open ground it grows luxuriantly, furnishing great quantities of its dainty, glossy-green sprays that are exquisite to use in cut flower work, and remains fresh and green until after early frosts. In the house it requires good light and freedom from dust. Its feathery little blooms are delicately fragrant..... 5



Bridal Veil.

Genista Monosperma.

Hard-wooded plant suitable for pot culture, or it may be grown in the open ground in any latitude south of New York, and will grow from three to six feet high according to accommodations given it. This odd plant has no leaves but produces long, graceful, needle-like green branches which droop in copious masses like drapery. It has several blooming periods each year at which time every stem and branch robes itself in clusters of charming snow-white blossoms, the whole drooping in an exquisite wavy-mass and is appropriately called the "Bridal Veil." The fragrance of the flower is the richest and most pleasing to be found and a blooming spray cut and dried will retain its delicious fragrance for years, and will impart to a drawer of linen a fragrance which no perfumer can imitate or equal. As a pot or tub plant it is easily grown and will succeed anywhere in open ground where the winters are not too severe.

Seed—Per packet of 6 seeds 20c.

Heliotrope.

NEW EARLY-FLOWERING MAMMOTH.

This new strain of Heliotrope blooms in a short time from seed, and plants are as easily raised from seed as Pansies or Asters. The seedlings make a rapid growth and are in bloom in a short time. They bloom abundantly in the garden all summer or the year around in pots. The panicles of blooms are often six inches across, three times as large as ordinary Heliotrope, while the colors range from indigo-black through all shades of blue to almost pure white, and some with red tints, others with large white eye. In fragrance they seem to surpass the ordinary sorts. A packet of this seed will furnish a bed of flowers for your garden or lawn which would cost several dollars were you to purchase the plants, and give you great handfuls of delicious blossoms all summer. Per pkt.

Mixed—All colors, white, violet, blue, purple, etc.....15
Violet—Extra large, dark violet.....20
Mammoth White—New. Pure white.....20

PALM
FILIFERA OR WEEPING.

Palms.

Grand decorative plants for the house or piazza, and increase in value each year. Easily grown from seeds, which are slow, but quite sure to germinate.

Mixed Sorts—Many varieties.....20
Filifera, or Weeping—Very fine and easily grown.....10

Impatiens, Holstii Hybrids.

It would be difficult to find a plant that produces flowers of such wonderfully clear and beautiful tones of color. There are the brightest crimsons and orange-scarlets, most delicate rose and pinks with exquisite blush tinted and pure white shades. Planted in the garden they will bloom profusely all summer, but in pots they bloom the year round.....10

Primula Sinensis.

Easy to grow, pretty in leaf, handsome in flower, and continuously in bloom for months at a time. These merits alone would earn a place in every window, but when we add that it is one of the plants never attacked by insects and that it will bloom in a sunless window, where a Geranium or Heliotrope would never show a bud, it is clear that the smallest collection would never be complete without it. Young, vigorous plants are always the best, and are easily grown if the seed is sown on light porous soil, underlaid with drainage, and kept moist, but not wet, until the seeds germinate, which will be in about two weeks. Give young plants plenty of air and plunge pots in summer in cool shady places. Our seed is saved from the choicest strains and can be relied upon to produce the largest flowers and finest colors. Per pkt.

Mixed—Very good; from a fine collection.....10

Fimbriata Filicifolia—Mixed (fern-leaved); beautiful cut-leaved foliage.....15

Fimbriata Globosa—Mixed colors; this is a new strain of Fimbriata with unusually large flowers of great substance, and colors very clear and pleasing such as pure white with large lemon eye, deep red, carmine, steel blue, white and pink, striped, flaked with other colors, etc. Extra fine.....20

Fimbriata, fl. pl., Double, Mixed Colors—The double Primulas are among the choicest of all window plants, and the admiration of all who see them. The seed we offer is the choicest to be had, and will produce a large per cent. of magnificent double blossoms.....25

Obconica or Monarch—These are the new large-flowering Obconica Sinensis Hybrids of various colors, and fine as Primula Sinensis. Colors, pink, violet, blush, rose, lilac, white, etc. Very charming flowers, being borne in large trusses, and at all times of the year in great profusion. Plants offered in Plant Department.15

Monarch, Double Mixed—One of our very finest novelties. Abundance of large double blossoms.....25

Baby Primrose—Plant is exceedingly graceful and ornamental, with slender flower stalks rising above the light green leaves, and bearing many dainty-colored flowers. New flower stems are constantly appearing as fast as the old ones fade, and the same plant is always in bloom. Very easily grown in any window.....10

One pkt. each of the 7 for $1.00.

Violets.

A fine collection of many fine varieties and colors—blue, lavender, white. Many of the finest scented varieties are included. Spring sown seed make fine plants for fall blooming.

Cornuta, Mixed Colors—These bloom almost as quickly from seed as Pansies. Are hardy and free flowering..10

Odorata—The lovely sweet garden Violets, so fine for winter blooming. Mixed colors.....10

Odorata, Queen Charlotte—Large dark blue.....10

" **The Czar**—Extra fine; large pure white.....10

THREE SUPERB NOVELTIES.

The Tomatoberry, Tomato Pepper and New Early Sweet Potato are Novelties of more than ordinary value. They are simply great. The Early Triumph Sweet Potato is one of the very best things ever introduced.

Tomatoberry.

A unique garden fruit of the Tomato family. Habit of growth slender with distinct foliage. May be given support and trained up to a considerable height, or allowed to sprawl over the ground. Fruit beautiful bright crimson in loose clusters of 10 to 60 and just the size of a Concord Grape. Delicious in taste with a decided tomato flavor and fruit contains only a few small seeds (one half the size of a Tomato seed). Fine for cooking and canning and exceptionally good for preserving. Plants are enormously prolific and trained up to stakes or trellises present a most attractive appearance as shown in cut, which was made from a photograph. Cultivate in all respects like a Tomato. Seed started in April or May make fine fruiting plants by August. Seed per pkt., 15c.; 2 pkts., 25c.

The Tomato Pepper.

This unique new Pepper originated with us two years ago. It is new, true and distinct and entirely novel. Plants grow only one foot high, with a few short compact branches, around which the fruits are compactly set and partly hidden by luxuriant foliage. Requires but small space. Fruit the shape and size of a small tomato which it closely resembles in all respects. Color rich deep ruby red, flavor sweet and very mild with but very little of the pepper sting, but rich in superior flavor, therefore most valuable for cooking in any form for sauce, dressing, pickles, and with meats like onions. A very fine novelty. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.

New Sweet Potato, Early Triumph.

The finest all around Sweet Potato and is so early that it can be grown in the North. Ripens in 60 days from time of setting the plants. Tubers large, oval, oblong, very handsome. Flesh creamy yellow and extra fine quality, dry and highly flavored. Tubers keep very late, in this respect superior to any other. Vine short, dense and vigorous. Plant in warm sandy soil if possible, and it will succeed anywhere in the North. We can supply both tubers and green plants. Tubers may be started under glass and as the vines start, pull them off for planting. We will have vigorous vines ready for planting out end of May. Tubers, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Green plants (after May 25th.) 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

What we say about our Flower Seeds, on page 5, may be said about our Vegetable Seeds. We grow and offer but a limited number of varieties, only those which possess the greatest value for the home garden and the markets. These varieties are also special stocks, cultivated, selected and improved until they have reached the highest mark of perfection which it is possible to attain.

Beets and Turnips, round, smooth, uniform, tender; Cabbage, large, solid, crisp, sure-heading and long-keeping; Tomatoes, large, smooth, uniform, perfect in color, shape and quality; Lettuce, crisp, beautiful, and delicious; Corn, rich, sugary, tender and perfect; Melons, of high flavor, quick robust growth, perfect and luscious; Onions, uniform in size, perfect in shape, delicate in taste; Squashes, early and late, of high quality; Radishes, crisp, mild, perfect in shape and color, and of quick growth. These are all points which we have brought to perfection in our prize strains of Garden Vegetables. Our thousands of customers in every nook and corner of the country know this, and to them we refer those who have never used our Seeds. They can be found everywhere, for we supply half a million planters direct, which is more than the combined output of any other two houses in the world, and is in itself the best possible endorsement of the high quality of our seeds.

Great Emperor Asparagus.

Gives an abundant crop the second year from seed.

It is a fact that this new Asparagus will produce ordinary large, full stalks for cutting in less than a year from seed. It is thought to be the variety so long sought by gardeners, which in olden times grew so luxuriantly in the gardens of the Emperor Tiberius, three stalks weighing a pound.

It is a fact that Mr. F. B. Fullerton, special Passenger Agent of the Long Island Railroad, cut in spring from a two or three year old bed of this variety eleven stalks which weighed three and one-half pounds.

Mr. Allen, the late well-known Horticulturist, Author and Seed Grower, gave his experience with the Emperor Asparagus saying that in any favorable locality equally good results may be had. We never ate finer Asparagus than that cut from Mr. Allen's patch in April, just eleven months from the time seed was sown, and by the way, seed should be sown where plants are to grow permanently, to avoid the check of transplanting. 15c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 40c.; oz., 80c.

Asparagus Roots.

We can supply 1 year roots of the Giant Emperor Asparagus at 60c. per dozen; $3.00 per 100.

Brussels Sprouts.

Next to the Cauliflower Brussels Sprouts are the most delicious of all the Cabbage family.

Defiance—A finely bred, large and tender strain of this delicious vegetable. Stem tall and covered with tender little heads or "sprouts" from top to bottom. Quality very fine when cooked and served like Cabbage. This splendid vegetable should be more generally grown. All who have tried it prefer it to Cabbage. It is easily grown and those who try it always grow it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Matchless—A variety of vigorous growth and fine, solid sprouts of the very best quality. An extra fine sort, which is highly prized in Europe. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

ASPARAGUS BEET.

The Asparagus Beet.

A wonderful new vegetable which was recently offerd for the first time, after a careful test which has thoroughly demostrated its value. The leaves are large, light green, and finely curled and crinkled, and are used for greens for which we find them most excellent. But the great value of the plant is its large, fleshy mid-rib of the leaves, which are cut and cooked like Asparagus, and are *extra fine*. As a substitute for Asparagus, nothing could be better, and it may be cut and used all summer. A most valuable new vegetable. Fit for use two or three months from seed. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Bush Beans.

One of the most delicious of all vegetables, and one that may be had in great abundance all the season. Sow successively every two or three weeks from early May to end of July. Those sown latest, and which mature in September, October or November, will be the best. String Beans are better in autumn than at any other time.

Byer, (Bush)—This out-ranks any other Bush or Snap Bean so far introduced. In quality it is the best, and in productiveness it will more than double any other variety. The Michigan Agricultural Station, where this Bean was tested, says of it in their Bulletin, No. 153, issued in February, 1898: "The Byer Bean,—Plants of healthy vigorous growth, very branching and productive. The pods are five to six inches long, round, nearly straight, green in color, very brittle and fine in quality. The plants are very productive, and have a long season of bearing. It is a valuable sort for the home garden or market." The Bulletin then goes on to give the comparative test. This table shows that some plants of the Byer Bean produced 271 pods, weighing 47 ounces The variety which approaches next to it was Stringless Green Pods, with 121 pods, 20¼ ounces. From that the n umber ranges down to 15 pods 2½ ounces, in Union White Valentine. This shows the Byer is more than twice as pro ductive as the best of the twelve other varieties tested. We do not think we need to say any more in recomm endation of it. Price, 10c. per pkt.; per pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.; peck, $2.00.

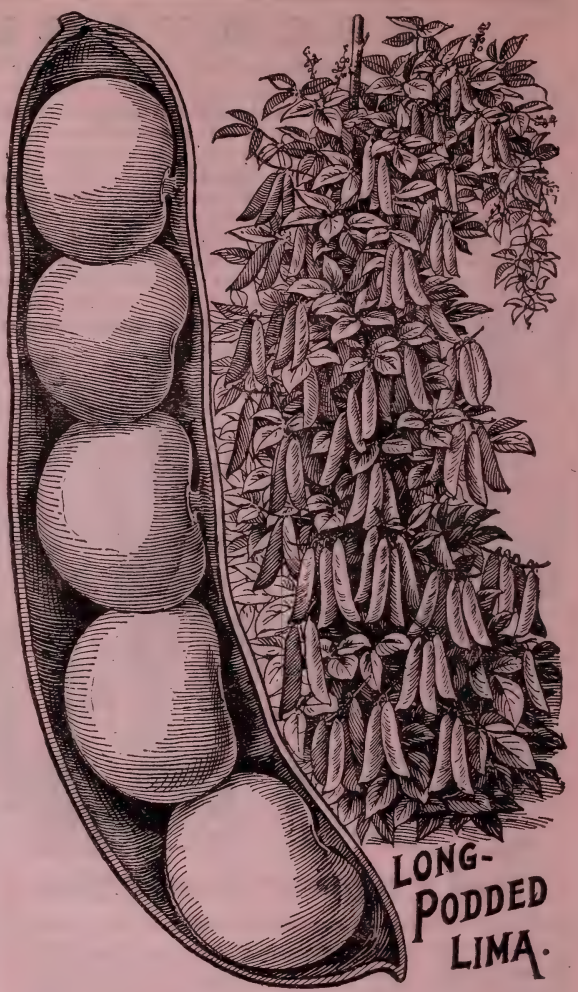
New Early Golden Eyed Wax—Ten days earlier than any other Golden Wax, and, moreover, is absolutely rust proof. An immense bearer, and pods tender and crisp. A superb market sort because of its beautiful color and uniformity. Pkt., 10c.; pint., 30c.; quart, 50c.

Extra Early Refugee—The earliest strain of Refugee by ten days. One of the most profitable Beans ever grown. Loaded with pods in any season, and of a fine quality. Grown by all market gardeners, who are always quick to pick up a good thing and to stick to it after they once see it. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Yosemite, Monster Wax—Mammoth pods eight or ten inches long, as thick as one's finger, and very fleshy and thick-meated. Color a rich golden yellow, very clear and wax-like. Bush an immense bearer, and sure to attract attention anywhere. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Burpee's Bush Lima—This grows is to 20 inches high, of stout growth, erect, branching vigorously into a fine circular bush three or four feet in diameter. Its yield is wonderful, each bush producing 50 to 200 large pods, well filled with beans of great size, and of the true, rich, luscious Lima flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 45c.

Stringless Green Pod—The acme of perfection in a green podded Bean that is absolutely stringless. Quality unsurpassed. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.



Pole Beans.

Long Podded Lima—The acme of perfection in a pole Lima Bean, and one that is at least one-half more prolific than any other variety. This strain has been developed by Mr. A. Vanderveer who has spent more than twenty years bringing it to its high state of perfection. It is a rank, vigorous grower, bearing under any conditions a much larger crop than any other. Each pod contains five or six beans while others contain only three or four. This alone makes a 25 per cent. larger crop, while the increased number of pods brings the average yield up to nearly double that of any other Lima. Its quality is also superior. Mr. Vanderveer has marketed as high as $60 worth of green beans from 60 hills, and gathered a bushel from eight hills at one picking. It is certainly a great acquisition, and comes at a time when people have found out that it does not pay to plant Bush Limas on account of the limited yield. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.; peck, $3.00.

Mammoth Podded Lima, (King of the Garden)—The Limas have a distinct, rich, buttery flavor, very different from all other sorts, and are much liked by most people either to use green or dry. As Shell Beans boil until tender, pour off the water and season with butter and salt and a little cream. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

Lazy Wife's—The old standby. Never fails to produce loads of round, thick-fleshed pods, fine for snaps and last long in perfect condition. Fine as a Shell Bean and of superior quality. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Childs' Horticultural—This new strain will be found to be as prolific and many-seeded to the pod as any other first-class sort, while still retaining its rich flavor. Beans thick, large and round, white speckled and blotched with bright scarlet. A fine, dry Bean for baking or for stewing or serving with butter or cream. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.

Kentucky Wonder (Old Homestead)—Very prolific, long, green-podded, stringless, snap-bean. Pods round and very crisp; most deliciously flavored, and very meaty. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Beet.

The sweet, tender roots of Beets are very fine for summer, fall and winter use, while the tops are very useful for greens. Vinegar in which Beets have been pickled is often used to pickle hard-boiled eggs, as it gives them a beautiful color and pleasing flavor. When young and tender, Beets are most delicious if boiled or steamed until tender, then sliced or chopped into small pieces and seasoned with butter, etc.

Edmand's Blood Turnip—This is winning golden opinions everywhere. Smooth, round shaped, exceedingly sweet and tender, and never coarse, tough or stringy. Very early, remains in good condition for a long time. An extra fine market sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Eclipse—A very early Beet of beautiful dark, rich color, and smooth, round shape. Quality of the best. Our strain is pure. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Detroit Early Dark Red Turnip—This is claimed to be perfection itself. Early, smooth, uniform, quick growth, small top, tender and darkest red color. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Improved Early Blood Turnip—Very fine quality, and an old popular sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Early Egyptian Dark Turnip—Another fine standard sort; very early, high flavored, sweet and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Improved Long Smooth Red—Long, handsome roots of fine quality. A great cropper and keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Bastian's Blood Turnip—An early, quick-growing sort highly esteemed by all market gardeners, as it is large, deep red in color, and very tender and rich when cooked, never losing its fine color. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c.

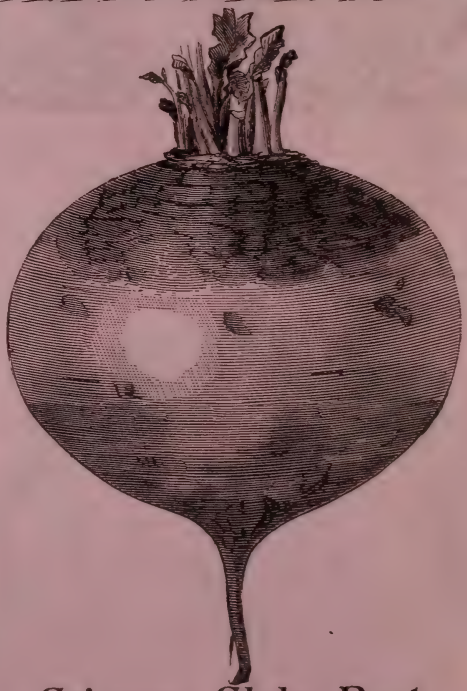
Lane's White Sugar—This is the well-known "Sugar Beet" so largely planted for sugar. Sweetest of all. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Mangle Wurzel.

Fine for stock feeding, the two following sorts being the best.

Mangle, Mammoth Long Red—This grows to weigh 20 to 30 pounds and is calculated to produce upwards of 50,000 pounds of roots to the acre. Animals are very fond of it and the roots are very nutritious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.

Mangle, Golden Tankard—A new yellow sort, very sweet and tender. Large, oval roots, much easier to pull than the Long Mangles. A heavy cropper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.



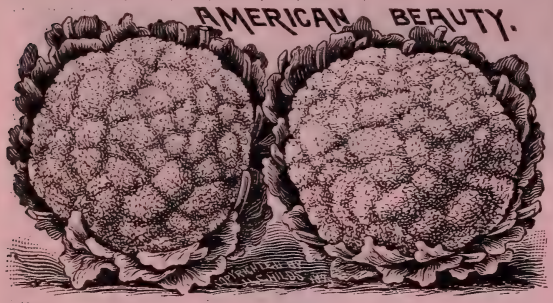
Crimson Globe Beet.

This is perhaps the perfection of a table Beet for family use. In all essential points it is really unsurpassed. Root of medium size, very handsome globe shape, and has a remarkably smooth surface. Both the skin and flesh are deep, rich red, fine grained, sweet and tender in all stages of growth. Small tap root; leaves small, dark-green. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Cauliflower.

The most luscious of all the Cabbage family. Requires high cultivation and rich soil. Cook by steaming until tender, then dress with drawn butter and serve hot. It is one of the most delicious of all vegetables.

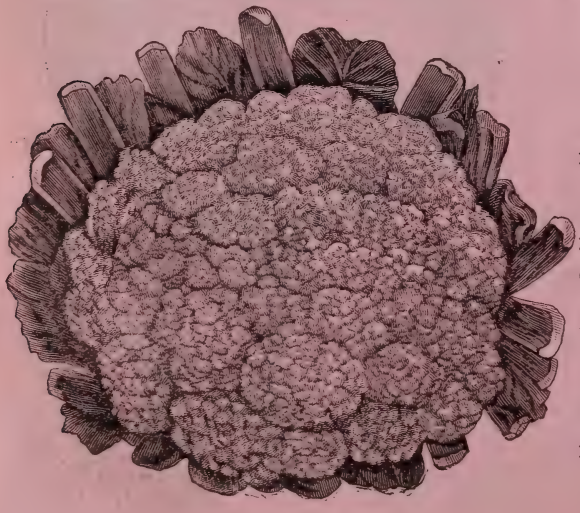
Snowball—One of the very best varieties for early culture. Dwarf, compact grower, with large heads of snowy whiteness and delicious flavor. This is a sure header, very early, but valuable for late as well as for early Cauliflowers. Pkt., 15c.; oz., $2.50; lb., $30.



American Beauty—A fine early Cauliflower, especially adapted to American soil and climate, and it is an American strain and American grown seed. Heads early, size large, quality the best. Pkt., 10c., oz., $2.25.

Earliest Dwarf Erfurt—Valuable for garden culture and an extra fine forcing sort. Our strain of this is the finest to be had in Germany, and it is considered to be the perfection of all Cauliflowers. Pkt., 20c.; ¼oz., $1.00; oz., $3.75.

Autumn Giant—Extra large and fine. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 50c.



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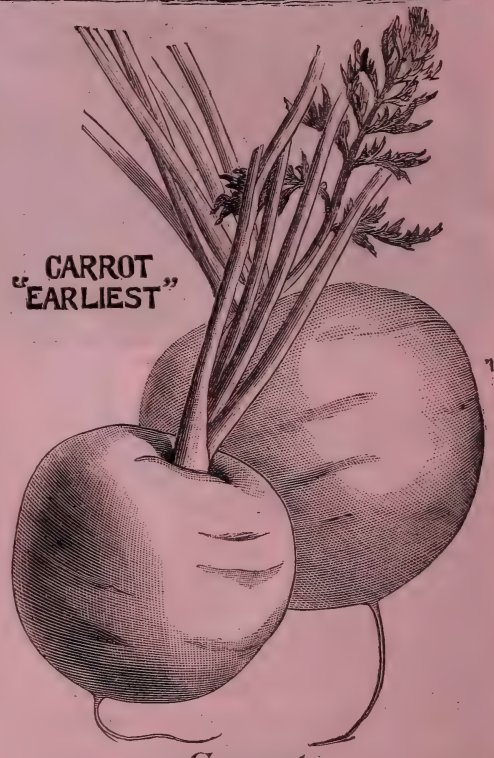


Carrot.

Danvers—(PRIVATE STOCK)—The true strain. No better to be found anywhere. All gardeners know the importance of securing the best seed to grow really fine crops. This can be relied upon as the best seed to be obtained at any price. It will yield 20 tons per acre. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.

Improved Long Orange—Heavy cropper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Oxheart—An early table sort; small and short but fine grained and tender. Can be forced or sown in the garden for early use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c;

New Long Yellow Stump-Rooted—This new Carrot produces long, tapering roots which are well stumped or round at the base. They are of most excellent quality for the table. Very productive. The distinct yellow coloring is a novelty. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Chantenay—A half-long Carrot, medium early, bright orange, large shoulders and stump-rooted. Quite extensively grown for market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.

Earliest—This remarkable New Carrot is like a radish in regard to quick growth and delicious flavor. People like it raw like a radish as well as cooked. It is fit for the table in a very few weeks after sowing the seed, and its quick growth, great beauty and delicate quality will be a revelation to all. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.50

CELERY, WINTER QUEEN.

Celery.

A vegetable at once healthful, toothsome and beautiful. Said by physicians to be of great benefit in all diseases of the nerves and kidneys. Deliciously fresh, crisp and nutty to the taste, and with the broad stalks, ivory white, waxy yellow or rose red, tipped with finely composed leaflets of pale, glaucous green are ornamental to the finest tables. Sow early in the house or hotbed and transplant, or sow outdoors when the ground becomes warm, making the soil very smooth. When plants are four or five inches high transplant, giving six inches between plants in the row. Have the soil very firm and rich, plant in trenches, and as the plants grow draw the earth closely around them, to blanch the stems. Never do this in wet weather, or the stems will rust. South of the Ohio, Celery can remain in the ground all winter with a little protection. In the North, plants should be taken up and stacked closely together, with soil firmed around the roots, and kept in the cellar or a pit for use.

Winter Queen—Grows thick, solid and heavy stalk and large heart. A close, compact grower, and when blanched is creamy-white. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING.

White Plume—One of the most beautiful of all, and the earliest. Brittle, fine grained and the easiest known sort to blanch. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Golden Self-Blanching—Fine to follow White Plume. An exceedingly fine-flavored sort; blanches easily to a beautiful golden yellow, and is very brittle and crisp. No garden complete without it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.50.

New Rose—A fine rose-colored Celery of high flavor, crisp and nutty. Much liked. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Giant Pascal—A sport from the Golden-Self Blanching, of immense size, broad, thick, stringless stalks, remarkably

crisp and nutty, early to blanch, and the very best keeper of any Celery. The hugh stalks of this kind will "snap" like glass, they are so tender, any they never are watery or strong. Fine market sort, and one of the very best for the home garden. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $1.75.

Boston Market—One of the best old standard sorts. Always gives satisfaction. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Celeriac Perfection.

An improved Turnip-rooted Celery of superb quality. It is the finest thing ever grown for soups, giving a flavor which Celery itself cannot furnish. When boiled and sliced like Turnips and served with butter and salt, it makes a most delicious dish. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

VOLGA CABBAGE.

Cabbage.

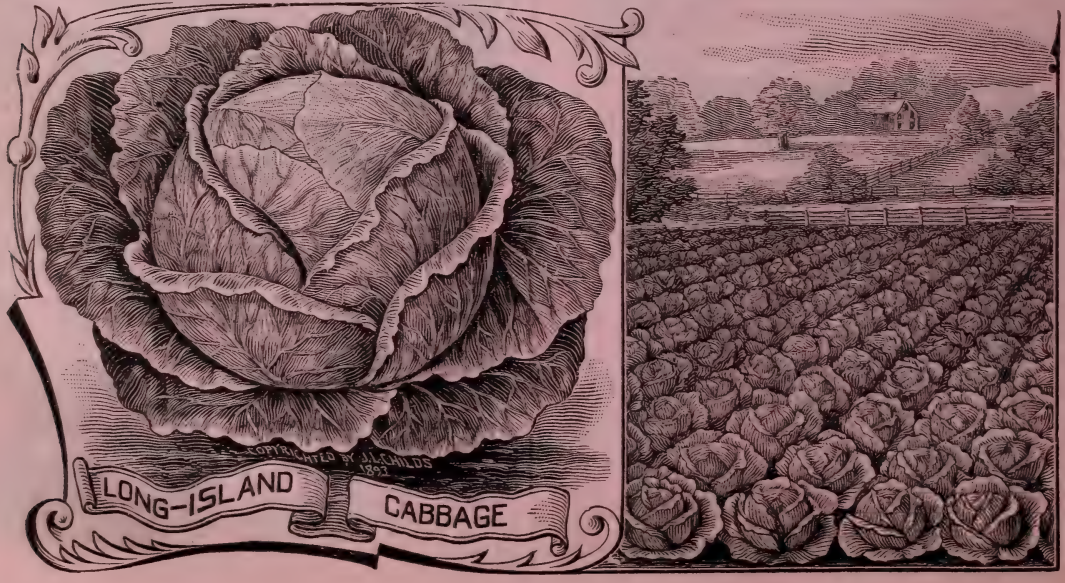
There is no garden vegetable grown that success or failure so plainly depends upon the quality of seeds sown. Poor seed of cabbage is poor at any price. Our seed is all raised on Long Island, where the finest Cabbages in the world are grown. We could buy common Cabbage seed for very much less, but we know our customers would rather pay a little more and get seed they can rely upon. These things are necessary to raise fine Cabbage—extra good seed, rich, mellow soil and thorough cultivation.

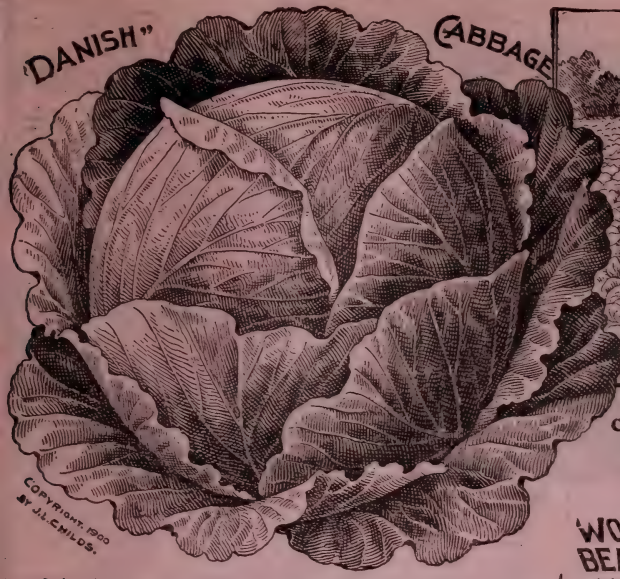
Long Island—A new early sort of great value, and one which can be grown for early, medium and late crops, either at the North or South. It is very early, of large size, uniform, and a sure header; it does not burn or blister, but retains its lustrous, fresh green color even after being shipped to distant markets; hence its great selling qualities. By those who have grown it it is said to be the most valuable Cabbage in cultivation, either North or South. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Volga—This is, without exception, the nearest approach to perfection of any variety. Heads uniformly solid. In this respect it is a wonder, as the heads are of about equal size and shape, weighing from 12 to 15 pounds each. In one field of three acres there was not a single plant thrown out, or showed, in any respect, any variation from a true and valuable type. Unlike most types, the heads are perfectly solid, and the stem does not run up into the head nearly as far as other types, and the flesh is exceedingly firm, tender and white, making it a most desirable form for krout, as well as for all other purposes. The most severe winter known in this section did not inflict the slightest injury on the Volga, while all other kinds suffered terribly, not a leaf was lost. This type is remarkable for its quick-growing habit. We have noticed particularly this sort, and find that it will mature its heads fully two weeks earlier than any of our late growing kinds. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Winningstadt—This is a German variety; very distinct with large pointed heads, solid and closely packed. Very fine quality and popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

True Surehead—Very certain to head, however hot and dry the weather. The heads are large, round and flat and very hard and firm of texture, fine grained and most excellent quality. It is also a remarkably good shipper and keeper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.





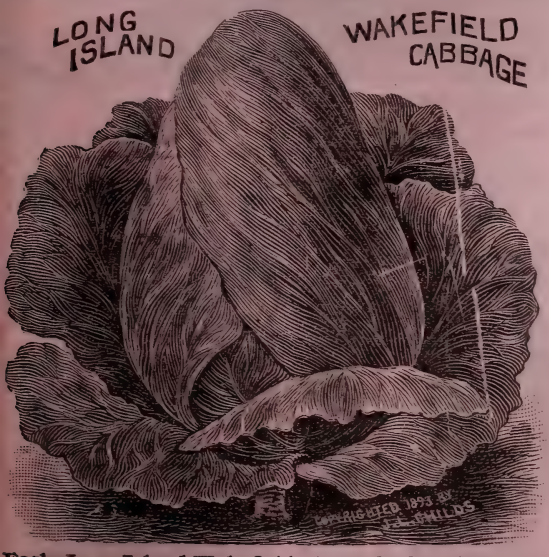
Childs' Savoy-Large, solid heads of the Drumhead type, with a very deep, rich green color; heads of exceptional beauty and uniformly perfect. As to quality it is simply superb. Crisp, delicate, tender, rich and delicious beyond description. Either for market or family use, it is the pearl among Savoys. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts. for 35c.

Danish—A remarkably fine cabbage from Denmark, having qualities that are lacking in any standard American variety. Heads medium size, uniform, round, and remarkably solid. It is a fine shipper. For a late Cabbage for winter use it has no superior, being of good size for family use and of extra good quality; crisp and tender, better than any Cabbage with a less solid head can possibly be. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $3.00.

Excelsior Large Flat Dutch—This is a fine strain of Flat Dutch, always a standard sort, particularly in the South and Southwest, as it heads well in hot weather. Quality good and size large. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Red Dutch—The most popular pickling Cabbage. Large deep red. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $2.00.

Wakefield Savoy—Long pointed heads after the style of Wakefield. Very early and being of an upright habit of growth can be planted closely. Dark, rich green leaves. Heads rich yellowish white, tender, crisp, and most delicious. A fine acquisition. Per pkt., 15c.

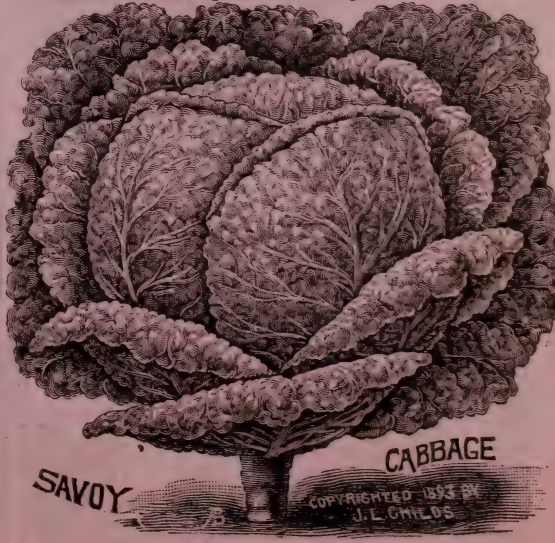


Early Long Island Wakefield—A standard variety, early and of fine quality. By all odds the best and most profitable early sort to grow in any part of the country. Our strain is perfect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Newark Early Flat Dutch—An early large Cabbage of excellent quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.

World Beater—A new Cabbage, as large or larger than Marblehead Mammoth, yet uniform in size and true to type, and a *very solid header*. No doubt it is the very best mammoth Cabbage to be had. Originated on Long Island. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.25.

All-Seasons—As the name would indicate, good for all seasons—early, medium or late. A sure header and long keeper; quality very fine. It is a remarkably good new sort. Head large and solid, round with flat top, finest quality, and ready for marketing almost as early as the standard early sorts. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

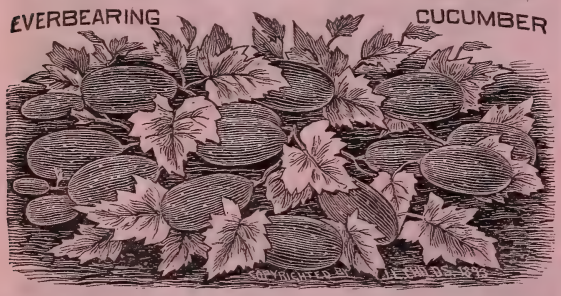


CHILDS' SAVOY CABBAGE.

Cucumber.

Do not try to grow Cucumbers in poorly prepared ground. Make low, flat hills from four to six feet apart, each hill two or three feet across, and thoroughly pulverized sixteen to eighteen inches deep. Mix a large shovelful of rotten manure in the soil of each hill, and plant from six to eight seeds in each, as some are apt to fail. If bugs appear, dust with slug shot or with lime and soot. Allow no fruit to ripen on vines. For pickles and late Cucumbers, seed can be sown as late as July.

Childs' Early Beauty—A most remarkable and valuable early Cucumber of recent introduction. It is a sport from Early Siberian and has that variety's great value as a cropper. It is as early as Extra Early Russian, though twice as large as that variety, and keeps its lively green color to a very late state of growth, and will supplant all other early sorts, such as Siberian, Russian, Green Prolific, Thorburn's Everbearing, etc., for it is not only earlier, but larger and much finer in every respect. It is even so fine that it has been called Early White Spine, though it has no relation to that superb late variety. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.



Thorburn's Everbearing—Claimed to even excel the Early Russian in its everbearing character, producing fruit in immense quantities, whether fruit is allowed to ripen on the vine or not. Fine for table or for pickles. Cucumbers short and thick. Pkt., 5c.; oz. 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Improved Early Russian—One of the most valuable especially in the South. It is so very dwarf, hills need be only three feet apart, yet it is one of the most prolific varieties of all, bearing its short, plump fruits in clusters, and if allowed to ripen seed will bear from June until October, and that in hot, dry weather that crisps nearly every other variety, root and branches. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Improved Long Green—A well-known standard variety, about twelve inches in length, of most excellent quality, and when young makes the best of pickles. When ripe it is the best of any for sweet pickles. Vines vigorous and very productive. Our strain of this valuable sort is unsurpassed by any. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Childs' Ivory Monarch—An ivory-white Cucumber, growing nearly two feet in length, and weighing five or six pounds. Six times larger than any other sort. It is really a monster, and when half-grown exceedingly fine in quality. Its enormous size, great beauty and oddity make it one of the finest vegetables for exhibition at fairs, and it never fails to capture first prize. Its flesh is thick and solid, and with very small seed cavity, and notwithstanding its size, it has fewer seed than any other Cucumber we ever saw. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Bennett's White Spine—(PRIVATE STOCK)—Our seed from this is saved from one of the finest stock on Long Island, and Long Island leads the world on choice garden vegetables. These Cucumbers grow seven to ten inches long, uniformly plump and full to the very ends, a glossy dark green in color. A superior quality in every respect. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Early Green Cluster—A prolific variety, with crisp, brittle fruit. A fine pickling variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Gherkin—Small, thick, oval fruit, very prickly, crisp and tender. Used only for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.25.

Green Prolific Pickling—Standard pickling variety, with slender dark green fruit, very crisp. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Japanese Climbing—This Cucumber is such a strong and vigorous grower that the vines attain twice the length of ordinary varieties. The vine climbs readily, and they may be grow on fence, poles or trellis thus saving much valuable space in small gardens. When picked freely, a vine will continue bearing during the entire season, and one hill will keep a good sized family supplied all summer. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Davis Perfect—This is almost seedless, and most important of all, it does not lose its dark, rich color when grown outdoors, and resembles a hot-house cucumber so much that dealers cannot tell the difference and are willing to pay as high prices for it as for the product of the hot-house. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50.

Everlasting Cucumber.

A new variety of the very finest quality that will keep for months, even far into the winter without decaying or changing color. In short, it may be picked from the vines in the open ground in the fall, and sold in the market in fine condition during December and January, when good Cucumbers bring enormous prices. It is of the White Spine type, of good size, uniform, perfect shape, and rich, dark green color, which seems to hold forever. Quality the best of any Cucumbers we have tested. Vine strong, vigorous, and a rapid grower, and early bearer. Resists bugs, drouth and disease to a remarkable degree. In short, outside of its wonderful keeping qualities, it is the finest all-around Cucumber we have ever known, but, of course, its great value and novelty is in its long keeping qualities. With it one may have delicious Cucumbers in winter, from summer or fall growing. Stock has been so limited that it first sold for 25c. for 6 seeds. We have a good supply this year, and can offer it at 20c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 50c.; ½ oz., 75c.; oz., $1.25.

W. G. TURNER, Elyria, Ohio, says:—"I have at present (Jan. 20th) in my cellar an Everlasting Cucumber 10 inches in length, 9¼ in circumference, taken from the vine on the 12th day of August, 1906, which I defy anyone to tell from a perfect cucumber from the vine; as yet it shows no signs of rot, and is as perfectly natural in color as when it came from the vines. I shall keep it as long as I can and will let you know when it starts to decay. My cellar has a steady temperature of about 40 degrees. The Golden Fig Tomato is a fine fig and preserving tomato; can't be beat."

H. WYNNE JONES, Rutland, Vermont, says:—"A year ago I bought a packet of Cucumber seed from you called Ivory Monarch, and well they deserve the name. I took special care and pains with them which resulted in something wonderful. I have one on the vines measuring in the vicinity of two feet, which is something unusual in this part of the country. The beginning of next month our County Fair is to be held and by all means this monster Cucumber is going to be exhibited. Everyone who sees it is astonished at its size."

Sweet Corn.

Every family garden ought to have a selection of Sweet Corn, from the earliest to the latest varieties. Fine for drying, as well as for summer table use.

Childs' Honey Dew—For years seedsmen have been working to get a corn as early as the Cory, with large ear, white cob and superb qualities of the later varieties. We at last have it. Childs' Honey Dew is not only the earliest, but has a good sized ear, white cob, and large pearly kernels of the very finest quality, tender, sweet, and nutritious. It also keeps in good condition a long time before hardening, and runs perfectly uniform, each ear exactly alike. It grows to medium height, and the ears are formed low and two to three on each stalk. Mr. Wilard, the extensive seed corn grower of Wethersfield, Conn., says: "It is the finest Early Corn." It is the most profitable corn to plant, combining as it does good size and color, luscious quality, handsome appearance and long keeping, and earliest to mature. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.; peck, $2.00.

Golden Bantam—This variety is very sweet and luscious. It is very hardy, which permits of early planting. The stalks average about 4 feet in height; the ears are eight-rowed, 5 to 7 inches in length; the grain is a rich, golden yellow, and unrivalled in quality. Pkt., 10.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.

Early Crosby—A standard sort deservedly prized by thousands of planters as one of the sweetest of varieties. The kernels are very closely set. The government reports that this strain is superior to any variety of sweet corn grown for canning purposes. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.

Evergreen—The standard late sort and probably the all-around best Sweet Corn grown. It has magnificent large ears, deep kernels, small cob, and possesses the finest flavor, being tender and juicy. A favorite with everybody, and must have a place in every garden. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 45c.; peck, $2.00.

Western Queen—A cross between Country Gentleman and King Philip, of much finer quality and greater productiveness than the famous Country Gentleman. Its season is medium, following closely the early varieties. Kernels small, thickly set and deep. In fact there is more kernel than cob. Color ivory white in a green state but of a pinkish tinge when ripened and dry. A strong healthy grower, and enormously prolific, in this respect surpassing all other sorts, while for quality it is truly ideal, being rich and sugary, tender and delicate to an extent not found in any of the other varieties of Sweet Corn. This valuable new Sweet Corn originated in Oklahoma and came to us so well recommended that we bought the entire stock before seeing it. Is entirely novel and distinct. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.; peck, $2.50.

Mammoth—Immense ears of superb quality; very late. Can scarcely be omitted from a first-class garden. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.; peck, $2.00.

SWEET CORN, GOLDEN BANTAM.

Pop Corn.

Here's something for the boys and girls! Did you ever see a youngster that did not enjoy popping corn, and watching the hard kernels burst suddenly out into balls of white, light as a feather, and deliciously crisp and toothsome? Give every boy and girl a row of Pop Corn for his or her own. The sweet little misses like the pretty sort, the boys like those that bear the most. Then with nuts and apples, games to play and corn to pop, our little folks will pass the long winter evenings with mirth and happiness at home, rather then on the streets. The following sorts are mostly new and of greatly improved quality.

California Golden—Beautiful little golden ears but two or three inches long, and crowded with little pointed grains that pop out large, light and snowy-white. Often used for Christmas decoration, both the little golden ears and the white popped corn strung on long strings for festooning. The plant is very dwarf and productive. Pkt. 10c.

Mapledale Prolific—This is the Pop Corn for profit. The stalks bear the almost incredible number of 10 to 20 ears to each stalk, while the quality is very fine. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

Golden Tom Thumb—This Pop Corn grows only 18 inches high, and the dainty little ears are only two inches long, with smooth, golden-yellow kernels in regular rows. This little toy corn is not only very pretty, but it pops beautifully white and large, and is very crisp and tender. Its compact growth fits it for city or village lots, where land is reckoned by the foot, not by the acre. Golden Tom Thumb grows quickly and ripens its crop by the first of August, allowing the same ground to be used for celery, turnips, etc. Pkt., 10c.

New Striped—A fancy variety, very showy, while its quality is of the very best. Rather large ears, filled out with clear transparent white kernels, beautifully striped with bright crimson. An early and productive variety and one of great beauty. Fine for selling in the market. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Snowflake—Flinty white kernels set thickly on the cob. Pops out large and white, and very sweet and tender. Ear large and thickly set with heavy kernels. Pkt. 5c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 75c.

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only 30 cents we will send one packet each of the above 5 odd and superb sorts of Pop Corn.*

Cress—(*Peppergrass.*)

Extra Curled—An appetizing relish, of fresh, piquant taste, often added to lettuce and other fresh salads for variety. Splendid for canaries, who are very partial to it, and keep healthier for its use. Very easy to grow, and can be sown in any little nook or vacant spot. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Water Cress—Grown in moist, wet places, or at the edge of running streams. Increases rapidly, is very hardy, and as it is of an evergreen nature can be used all winter. A salard bowl heaped full of this Cress, of dark green leaves, is a pretty sight in January. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.

Leek, New Giant Italian.

The Leek is a very hardy easily grown vegetable, of mild, agreeable flavor and is much used for soups, stews, etc., as its flavor is more delicate than that of the Onion. This is a new and very large variety, the best for general cultivation. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

DWARF SPREADING KALE.

Kale Dwarf Spreading.

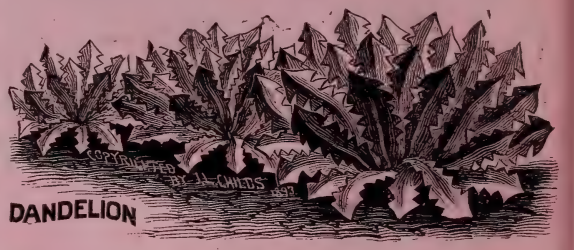
Kale is very easily grown and much hardier than any Cabbage, standing the winters well, if protected by a little light litter or straw. The action of frost improves its flavor wonderfully, and it is particularly fine for winter and early spring greens. This is an extra fine strain of beautiful curled and dwarf German type, but of a rather spreading habit, and extra quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c.

Kohl Rabi.

Extra Early Vienna—A curious vegetable, in appearance half-way between a Turnip and a Cabbage with a turnip-like swelling of the stems above the ground, which, while young and tender, has a delicious Cauliflower flavor, very appetizing and pleasant. Very easily grown, requiring only such care as will make a Turnip or Cabbage do well. It is cooked much the same as Cauliflower and served with pepper, butter and salt. It is certainly most delicious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Endive.

Green Curled—Well known in fashionable restaurants under the name of Chicoree and particularly fine served with Lettuce with French dressing. Sow seed from middle of June to end of August. When wanted for use blanch the inside leaves by tying the outer leaves together over the heart, and the plants will be ready for use in about one week after. Never tie up when the leaves are wet, as it induces decay. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.



New Dandelion.

Nothing makes finer greens than the well known Dandelion, except the new Improved Wonderberry, or Sunberry. The variety of Dandelion here offered is the best.

Improved Large Leaved—The old "greens" of our grandmothers, now improved to large, turfty plants with wide, long leaves of superior quality. These make a very healthful, nutritious and pleasant food, that can be used very early in the season. This new strain is the largest, finest and quickest growing variety yet known. It is a splendid vegetable which should be found in every garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 50c.

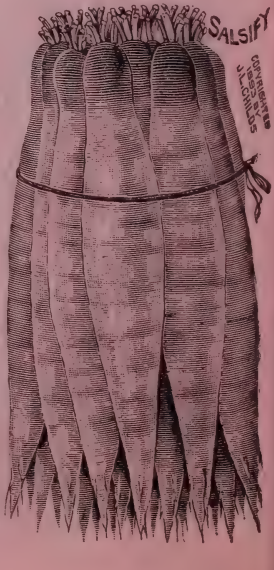
Oyster Plant, or Salsify.

One of the most delicious of all root vegetables. So hardy that it can be left in the ground all winter, and dug as needed, whenever the ground thaws. Stew until tender, then cook exactly like Oysters, with pepper, cream and butter. Try a large bed of them this year. They are delightful.

Large White—A quick grower; very fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Sandwich Island Mammoth—Like the above but twice the size. Cannot be praised too highly. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.40.

New Golden—New variety, the roots having a light yellow color, with yellow blossoms and dark green leaves with crimson edges. It is by far the richest of all the Salsifys and for soup making it is superb, possessing the fine, nutty flavor that is so highly relished in Lima Beans. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.



Mammoth Sage.

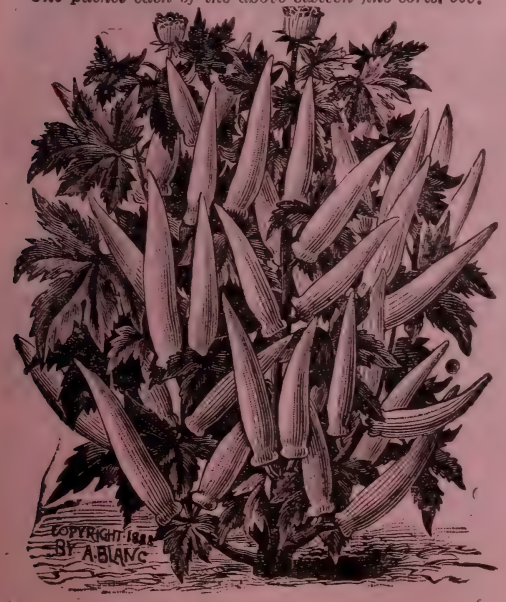
A plant of this new Sage will yield more than a dozen of the common sorts. The leaves are of enormous size and superior quality, and the plant a compact, rank grower, covering a space of more than three feet in diameter, rarely flowers and never runs to seed, and can be picked all the season. It is perfectly hardy in the coldest climate. Every person who has use for Sage should plant this variety. Pkt., 10c.

Sweet or Pot Herbs.

Indispensable to the cook, useful in the sick room, and many kinds fine for perfuming clothing, etc.

	Pkt.	Oz.
Anise—For flavoring	5	10
Balm—Very fragrant leaves; medicinal	5	10
Caraway—Seed extensively used for flavoring	5	10
Coriander—Used for flavoring cakes, etc	5	10
Catnip—Well known and useful	5	10
Dill—Used to impart a pleasant flavor to pickles	5	20
Hoarhound—Used for curing coughs and colds	5	10
Lavender—Fragrant leaves used to scent clothing	5	40
Sage—Most useful of all; needed in every garden	5	20
Sweet Majoram—Pot herb	5	15
Sweet Fennel	5	20
Tansy—For medicinal use	5	30
Thyme	5	40
Savory, Summer—Fine for flavoring, dressing, etc.	5	15
Rosmary—Aromatic and medicinal. Very fragrant; also a moth preventive	10	50
Wormwood—A splendid plant for poultry	5	20

One packet each of the above sixteen fine sorts, 50c.



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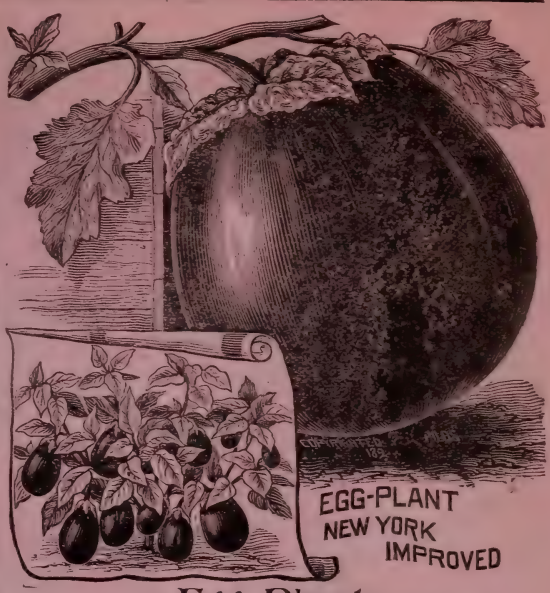
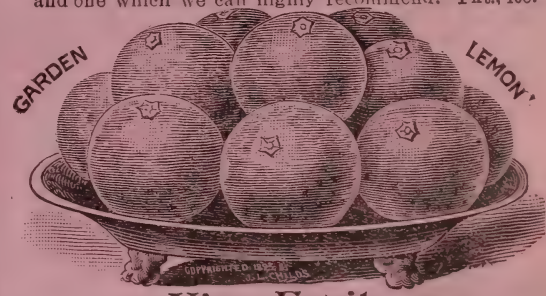


Egg Plant.

New York Improved—Very popular in all the city markets. This is the easiest, finest and largest variety grown, and is a fine sort for either market or private garden; Start seed in hot-bed and transplant in warm, rich, mellow soil. The fruit is very handsome, large, smooth and round, and of a rich, shining purple-black color, and is borne until frost. Cook by cutting into half or quarter-inch slices, and, after pearing, dip them into salted water for an hour; then dip in beaten egg and cracker crumbs and fry in fat until golden brown. It has a meaty flavor, much liked by everybody. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., $3.50.

Prolific Tree—(New)—Grows tall and branching freely, holding its numerous fruits well above ground. Fruit *very large*, 20 inches in circumference, and of superb quality and extra early, bearing for a long season and keeping well. In all around good points it is a wonder and one of the finest vegetable novelties in a long time. Pkt., 10c.; oz., $1.00.

Pearl—(White)—This new pure white Egg Plant is a most beautiful vegetable, as well as the finest in quality of all Egg Plants. Very tender, delicate and highly flavored. Ripens early, fruit of large size and borne freely. Really one of the very best vegetable novelties in a long time, and one which we can highly recommend. Pkt., 10c.



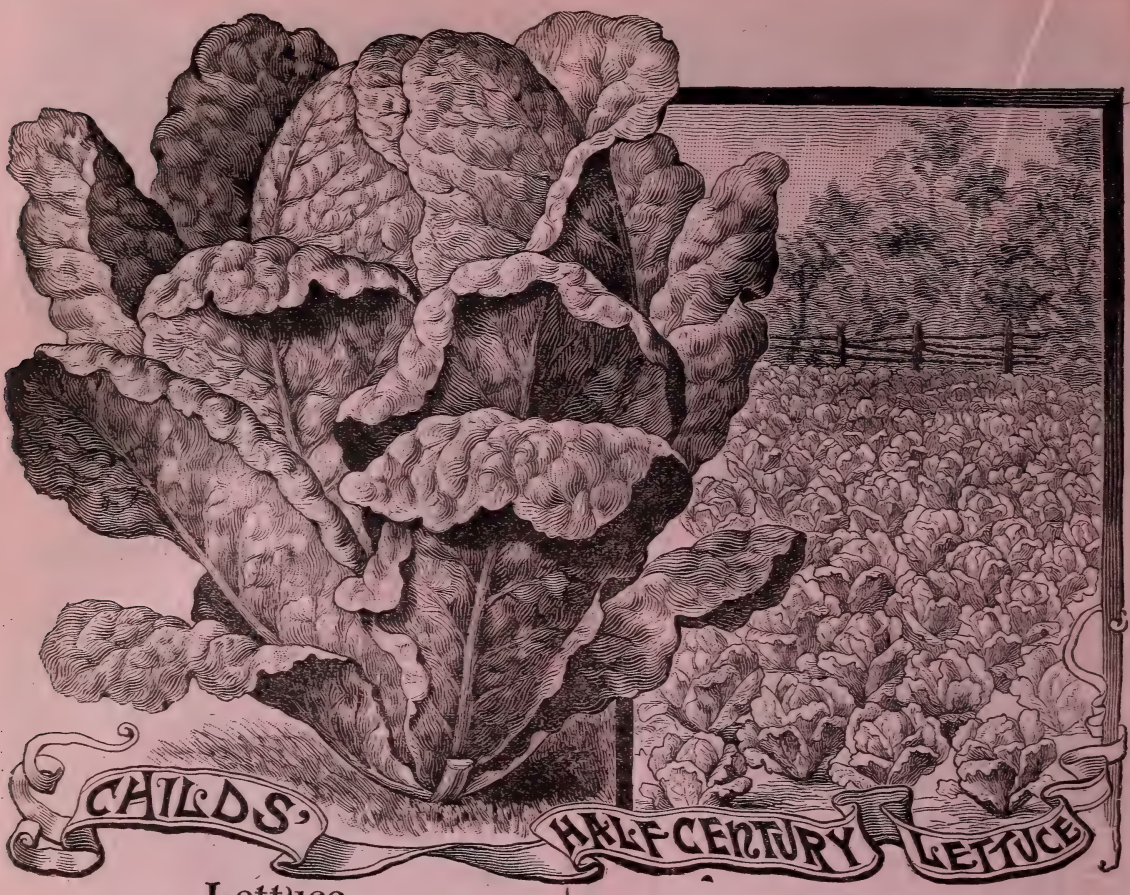
Vine Fruit.

Garden Lemon—This new vegetable is a great boon to all those sections of the country where fruit is scarce, as its fruits make delicious preserves, sauce, etc., and are more easily prepared. This is something like the Vine Peach, but needs no Lemon in putting up, as it is much more acid. Cultivation like the Musk Melon. Pkt., 5c.

Vine Peach—This sort has fruit the size of a large Peach and of a bright orange color, flesh firm and when cooked with lemon to give it a slight acidity, makes fine pies, sauce, sweet pickles or preserves. Easily grown and a good keeper. Stored in a cool, dry place they keep fresh and good for several months. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.

Okra, Mammoth Long Podded.

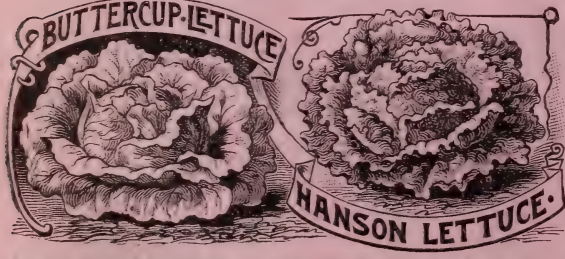
A most superb new Okra which produces an abundance of fine large pods that are of superior quality for soups, etc. Plants grow four feet high but begin to bear pods when 8 to 12 inches high. These pods last long in a fresh, prime state, and are borne in great quantities all summer. The best Okra grown. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., for 25c.



Lettuce.

An indispensable vegetable—certainly the finest salad plant known. Easily grown, either in hot-bed or garden, and can be sown very early. South of Mason and Dixon's line can be sown in open ground in fall, and needs only a slight protection of straw or loose litter to be perfectly hardy.

Childs' Half Century—We all know how much careful selection year after year has to do with the quality of our vegetables, but there are few things that can claim a half-century descent from only the choicest and best specimens of one type. This Lettuce can do so, however, and we are not surprised, therefore, at its superior qualities. Its leaves fold together, forming a long, loose head, remarkable for tenderness and delicious flavor. It may seem a good deal to say, but it is, nevertheless, a fact that for tenderness, brittleness and delicious quality, this Lettuce grown in the open ground surpasses any other sort grown under glass. Nothing can approach it in quality. It is so brittle and tender that its leaves break to pieces in handling, if care is not used. It is a quick grower, and attains its full size in forty to fifty days, and remains in fine condition for a very long time. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.



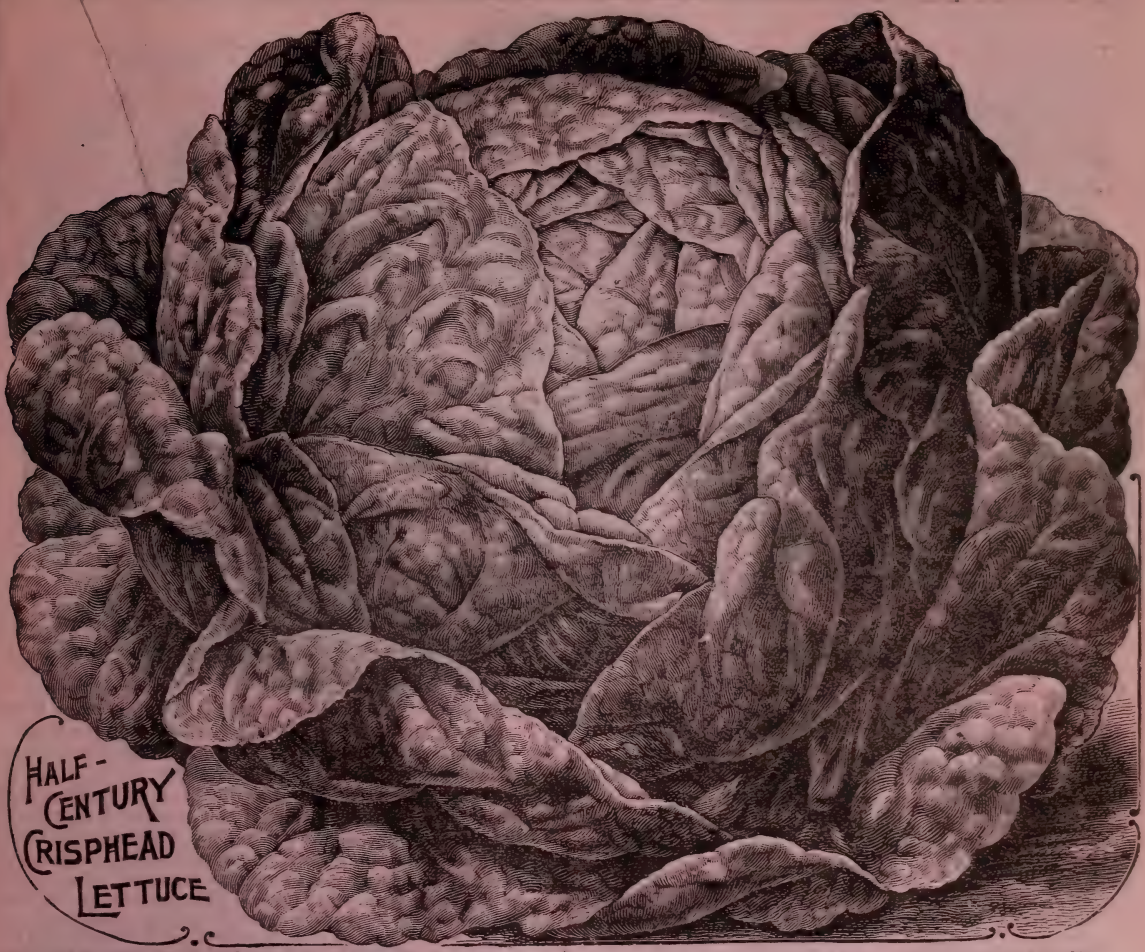
Curled Simpson—A fine sort, still able to hold its own against all new-comers. In every respect this is a first class sort, and always popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb. $1.

Buttercup—A beautiful garden sort, almost as ornamental as a Coleus. Large head and fine quality; beautiful golden yellow. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

TOMHANNOCK

Tomhannock—Just the Lettuce we have all been looking for: one that will stand the hot dry weather of mid-summer without growing bitter, tough and running to seed. It makes a beautiful bunch a foot high, and even more across, and the leaves are delightfully crisp and tender. Well bronzed. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

New Hanson—Our Southern customers say this is the finest Lettuce they can grow. Plants large and uniform, perfect head, quality superlatively fine, and stands heat extraordinarily well. There is probably no better large-heading sort than this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.



Childs' Half Century Crisphead—It is with much pleasure we offer a sport from our famous Half-Century Lettuce, that produces a large, solid head. It has much the same characteristics of the Half-Century, being exceedingly crisp, brittle and unsurpassed in flavor; but it is a true heading variety, forming a solid head, as large as a small Cabbage. It is superior to all other head varieties in superb quality, a quick grower, and long keeper. The California expert growers of Lettuce says that "Crisphead" is the longest keeping head variety in cultivation. The value of this cannot be overestimated. Its superb quality makes it the finest Lettuce for the home garden, which, with its long keeping quality, must make it the best and most popular sort for market growing. It is one of the best new vegetables ever introduced. Pkt.,10c. 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 50c.; lb., $4.00.

Denver Market or Savoy—An early variety of head Lettuce, either for forcing or open ground. Forms large, solid head of a good light-green color. The leaves are beautifully marked and blistered (like Savoy Cabbage) and crisp and tender; of excellent flavor. This is in many respects a most unique Lettuce, and one which will be very popular as soon as known, occupying the same place among Lettuce as Savoys do among Cabbages, Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

May King—This remarkable variety has proved itself capable of satisfying the most exacting requirements that could be made on an early outdoor Lettuce; while it can also be easily raised in a cold-frame. It is not easily affected by cold or wet weather, grows very quickly and produces, even in poor soil, splendid, globular heads, which are ready ten to fifteen days before other heading varieties and stands a long time before showing signs of running to seed. The leaves inside are of a golden-yellow shade; and in point of flavor unexcelled by any sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Big Boston—A very desirable large variety for forcing in cold-frames and for outdoor planting. In the kitchen garden there is no better variety to use. Plants large, hardy, vigorous. Leaves broad, smooth, thin, of a light-green color. Heads large, handsome and solid when grown inside, somewhat more loose when grown in the garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Cream Butter—A crisp, tender, richly flavored variety, forming large heads of a beautiful creamy color; medium early, and stands summer heat remarkably well. This is one of the very best summer varieties of head Lettuce we have ever grown. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50.

White Paris Cos—This is a popular European sort, and is good for forcing or early summer sowing. Well grown heads weigh 5 to 7 pounds. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.35.

WHITE PARIS COS.

Muskmelon.

This fine fruit is much more delicious when eaten fresh from the vines than when allowed to stand for days in the heat of the market. Grow them like Cucumbers.

Strawberry—Its first appearance, in 1889, caused a great furore in the market. People were loud in its praise, exclaiming that it surpassed all other Melons in points of excellence, with A FLAVOR LIKE THAT OF THE STRAWBERRY, hence its name. It grows to a desirable table size, from six to eight pounds each. Its outside appearance compares favorably with the Green Nutmeg of old, turning to a yellowish hue as it were, over night, when ripe. Its smooth, deep flesh is of an attractive salmon-red color, soft to the rind, and exceptionally delicious. It is certainly one of the most attractive and best flavored Melons yet grown. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Improved Rocky Ford—Finest of the Netted Gem type, and a famous melon owing to its unsurpassed quality. We all know that for some years past the best, and in fact the only real good Muskmelons that have come into our eastern markets were the Rocky Fords. An expert has been to Rocky Ford, Colo., where these melons are grown, and bought the finest strain in cultivation from a private grower. This can be relied upon for producing the finest melons it is possible to grow. 10c. per pkt.; 20c. per oz.; $2.00 per lb.

Champion—A very handsome, large, round melon of delicious flavor and rich in quality. A great cropper and a favorite market sort. A fine standard sort which will give great satisfaction in any locality. For shipping it is without doubt the very best of all Muskmelons. It keeps well, is of fine appearance and high quality. None better for gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Emerald Gem—In quality this leads all, and every home garden should include it. Medium size, round, with salmon flesh, so rich, sweet and juicy that it needs to be eaten with a spoon. No other Muskmelon can compare with it in eating qualities, and it is the sort of all others for the home garden. It is rather soft and perishable for marketing, except near home. Where known in our villages and cities, the Emerald Gem brings double the price of any other sort, and for gardeners who deliver to customers, or to the market direct, it is the most profitable. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 85c.

Banana—Melons very slender, and two or three feet long. A very fragrant variety, and if not picked until thoroughly ripe, of very good quality. Its flesh and flavor, as well as its shape, remind one of a great luscious Banana. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

Montreal Green Nutmeg—An uncommonly large melon and a great cropper; flesh green, very firm, and delicious, and unlike most varieties, does not lose flavor during wet or cloudy weather. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb.,, 80c.

Burrell Gem—We are glad to be able to offer this year a new strain of the famous Rocky Ford Melons and one which we think is far superior to all others, particularly for general cultivation. This melon is the result of many years of careful breeding at Rocky Ford and has the closely laced gray netting of the original Rocky Ford Cantaloupe, but a slightly wider space between the ribs. In size it is somewhat larger, averaging nearly two pounds. The flavor is rich and spicy, the meat thick, fine grained and very rich. Its carrying qualities are much superior to the original Rocky Ford, and owing to this and other points of superiority, it sells at from two to three times as much per dozen or crate as the old variety. This melon is to be particularly recommended for districts under irrigation. Per pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts. for 30c.

KINSMAN QUEEN.

Kinsman Queen—This greatly improved melon comes to us from a large grower in Ohio who pronounces it the finest of all melons he has ever grown. Our trials of it show it to be very fine indeed though the extreme dry weather at a critical time, and a soil and location very unfavorable, indicates that under better circumstances it might outclass any other sort in superb flavor, hardiness, yield, etc. We have seen enough to convince us of its great value and most heartily recommend it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Watermelon.

Never plant Watermelons on hard, poor soil. Plant in large, deep, mellow hills, made very rich with well-rotted manure, and you will have great crops of this delicious vegetable, which, to be had at its best, must be picked from one's own garden.

Duke Jones — Briefly, this is supposed to be the largest, handsomest, most prolific, and in other respects the finest melon grown. Will average nearly fifty pounds each by the field, while some specimens reach nearly one hundred pounds. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

Childs' Ruby Gold—A variety introduced by us. The most beautiful table Melon grown. Fine for table decoration cut cross wise and alternated with slices of deep red melon. In shape the melons are a long oval, two feet or more in length, and will weigh 40 to 60 pounds each. The flesh is a rich, solid golden yellow, with star-like center of carmine or ruby-red, almost too beautiful to think of eating, yet its quality is as superior as its appearance. There is absolutely no core or hard spots in it, but the flesh is juicy, sweet, luscious, melting in the mouth almost like ice cream. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.25.

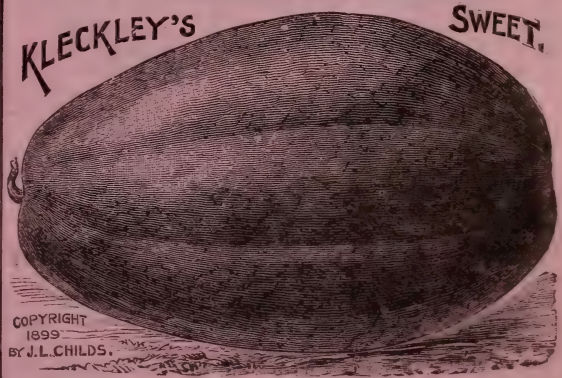
Hungarian Honey—One of the most delicious varieties known, of an almost honey-like sweetness. Round, dark green melons that will average about ten pounds each; flesh rich and melting. Extra early and fine for the Northern States. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Phinney—An early, oval variety, prolific, sweet and crisp. One of the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Cuban Queen—A very juicy, sweet variety, of the largest size, a special favorite with those who like their melons nearly all core. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Mammoth Iron Clad—Enormous melons, sometimes weighing from 50 to 75 pounds. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Rosy Nugget—Of all the Watermelons ever introduced for the family garden or home market this is the most superb. In free and easy growth, productiveness, beauty and superb quality there is nothing that can compare to it, while its size is just right for home use. Weight, 15 to 22 lbs., shape round, color very rich dark green. Rind very thin, almost none at all, but outer shell is hard. Flesh solid, absolutely no cavity, crisp, flavor such as cannot be found in any other melon, its richness, delicate quality and sweetness far surpassing all others. No matter what we say its delicious quality and sugary sweetness will astonish you when you eat it. Has been grown by Mr. Frank Banning, Kinsman, Ohio, who says: "When offered in our markets no other melon will sell at all so long as this one can be had." Ellis Bros., Grocerymen, Greenville, Pa., say: "We have handled Rosy Nugget for five years and find it is the most profitable melon on account of its excellent qualities. No other variety is so sweet and crisp." Mr. E. S. Miller, melon grower, N. Y., says: "Rosy Nugget, is the finest melon I ever grew." Pkt., 15c.; oz. 35c.; b., $3.00.



Kleckley's Sweet—The earliest large melon, weighing 50 to 60 pounds each, and ripening in about seventy days from the time of planting. It is a great yielder, and in quality the sweetest, juiciest, most crisp, solid and luscious. Grows two and one-half feet in length. Brilliant red inside, dark green without. With us the best melon ever tested. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Early Harris—This has proved itself to be the earliest as well as the finest extra early Melon grown. It ripens fruit in 55 days from seed, under favorable conditions, 60 days is, however, the usual time, and this result may be expected under ordinary conditions. It is a handsome Melon of medium size, (about 20 lbs.), of fine quality, and a quick seller in any market. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $3.00.

American Onions.

One of the most wholesome foods known, and much relished by most people. Most physicians agree that the free use of Onions as a food is a healthful and beneficial stimulant to the system. In cases of colds, cough and lung troubles they are often better than medicine. Certain it is that they are the best remedy for the new disease, "La Grippe." The Onion is of those vegetables with which success or failure depends largely upon the quality of seed sown. The best Onion seed is always the cheapest. We are certain that ours is as good as can be found anywhere. Have the ground made very fine, deep and rich for Onions, and keep free from weeds.

Large Red Wethersfield—A favorite red-skinned sort, of large size and handsome appearance. Onions somewhat flattened, flesh purplish-white, high-flavored, and keeps well without rotting. A standard sort and a great favorite with market gardenes. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $2.25.

Yellow Globe Danvers—Another popular Onion widely grown for market. Plump, handsome, yellow skinned bulbs, very uniform, round and perfect. We have an extra fine strain of this. More seed of this Onion is annually sold than any other variety. It does well everywhere, and in all soils and climates, and is everywhere a popular market sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $2.10.

Extra Early Red—A quick-growing variety much liked in the North, as it grows well in cold, mucky soils, where other sorts fail. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $2.25.

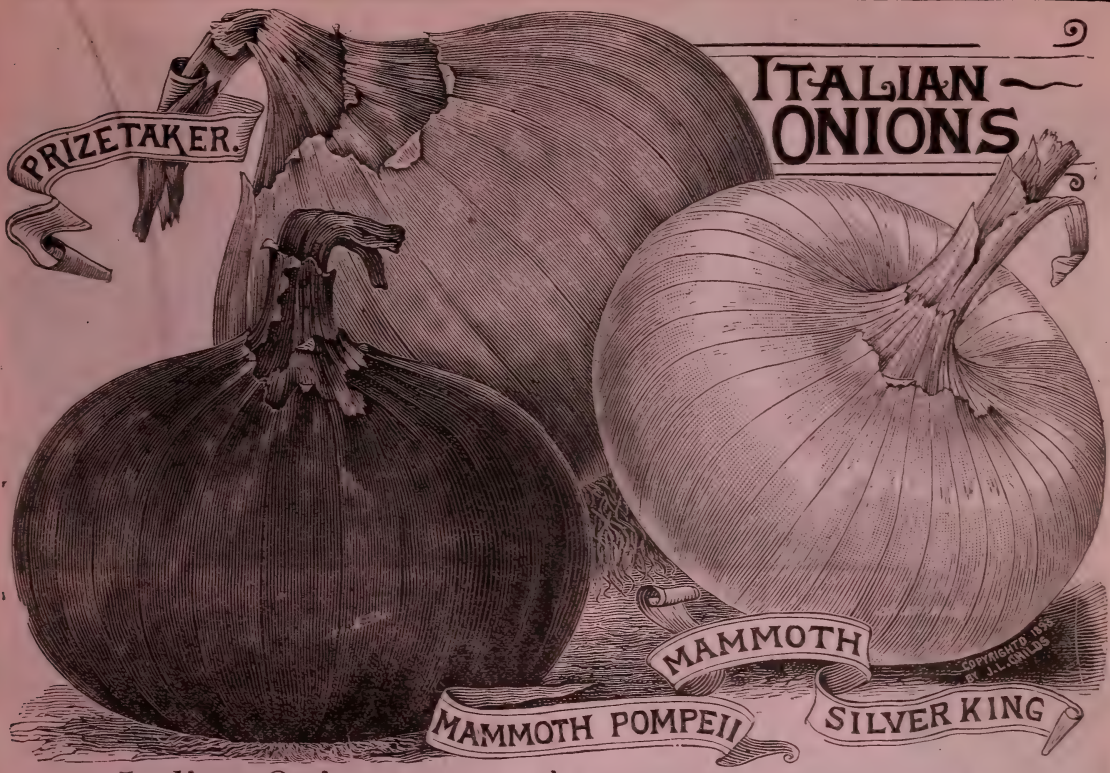
Southport White Globe—A globular, mild-flavored Onion of fine appearance and superior quality. A great favorite in most localities, and probably the most popular White Globe variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $3.50.

Southport Red Globe—Fine globe-shaped and a good cropper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $3.50.

Australian Brown—A medium sized smooth, handsome Onion, with a beautiful brown skin. Hard, solid, crisp, finely flavored and a good keeper. In fact one of the very best Onions grown. Season very early. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $2.25.

Pineapple—This remarkable Onion has for three generations been grown by one family by the name of Stewart in Denton, Indiana Co., Pa. Its shape is entirely unique; nothing like it among Onions, which fact is certified to by two of the largest Onion seed growers, one at Wethersfield, Conn., and another in California. Its shape is like a pineapple, 5 inches long and 6 to 7 inches in circumference. Color, very light yellowish brown. Skin thin, flesh white and a flavor which is to vegetables the same as the pineapple is to fruits,—delicate and delicious beyond compare, rich, tender and crisp. For family use it is unsurpassed, while for market it is a winner, its great beauty and novel shape attracting every eye. That such a treasure should have remained hidden in one little town for three generations is a wonder. It is the most novel and distinct Onion yet introduced. Pkt., 10c.; ½ oz., 30c.; oz., 50c.; lb., $5.00.

AUSTRALIAN BROWN ONION.



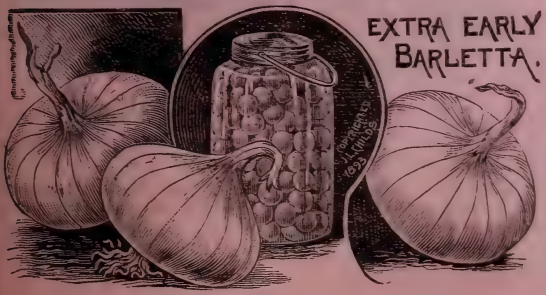
Italian Onions.

During the past few years Italian Onions have come into favor with astonishing rapidity. Where a few years ago they were grown only as fancy garden crops, they are now planted extensively for market, and they are, too, a profitable crop. They are of rapid growth and attain a very large size in a wonderfully short time. They are not only large but very uniform, perfect in shape and exceedingly handsome in appearance. In quality they are acknowledged on all sides to be the best, having an exceedingly mild, delicate and pleasant flavor. For eating raw, they are, of course, greatly superior to other Onions, owing to the mildness of their flavor. These Onions do best in a rich or sandy soil, in a warm and, if possible, sheltered situation.

Mammoth Silver King—A superb Onion, that sometimes grows to weigh two to four pounds. Silver-skinned, white fleshed, very mild and tender—so mild, sweet and tender that it can be eaten raw like an apple. It has an average diameter of five to seven inches, making a circumference of 15 to 20 inches. It is probably the most popular Italian Onion known to cultivation. A grand seller in all markets. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.25.

Prize Taker—A very large yellow Globe Onion, very handsome, fine flavor and a grand sort for market. Immensely productive, producing 700 bushels to the acre, and is claimed by the introducer to be the largest, handsomest, finest flavored yellow Globe Onion ever introduced. It is a good keeper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

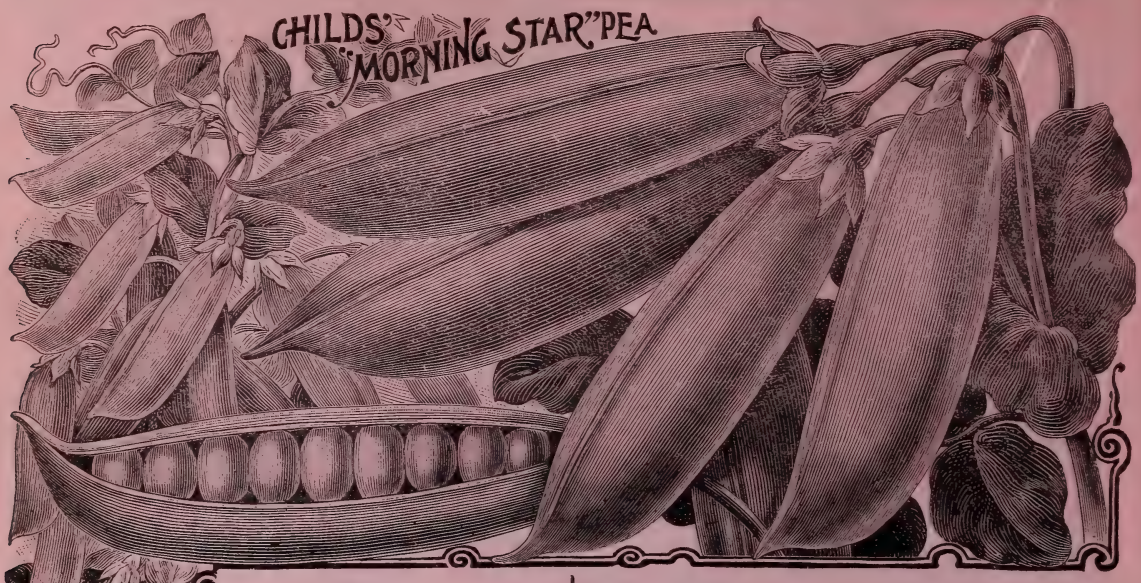
Mammoth Pompeii—A most remarkable Onion on account of its enormous size and fine quality. Bulbs often grow to the weight of four or five pounds, with a very thin and delicate skin, which is of a handsome reddish or reddish-brown color. Notwithstanding its great size, it is exceedingly mild and fine grained. Extra fine, easy culture; good keeper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.



Early Radish, or Barletta—The prettiest button-like little Onions imaginable. Small, flat and silver-skinned, so mild in flavor that they can be eaten raw, like a stalk of Celery, and for pickling are far ahead of any other Onion. Leaves almost no odor on the breath, and is liked by all. Three weeks from seed. Is used largely for eating raw, like a radish, yet when cooked it has the most delicate flavor of any Onion. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Egyptian Winter or Perpetual Tree Onion.

In this we have an Onion different from those raised from seeds or sets, or from the Top Onion, Potato Onion, in the fact that when once set out, without the slightest protection, it will come up year after year as soon as the frost breaks the ground, and grow so rapidly that it is ready for market or home use two or three weeks before any of them. It is usually ready for the table early in May. It is unsurpassed for sweetness and tenderness. It is perfectly hardy in all sections of the North. Differs widely from all other forms of Top Potato Onions, and should have a place in every home garden. Pint, 20c.; quart, 30c.; peck, $2.00 prepaid,



Peas.

This delicious vegetable is so much finer when freshly gathered than when allowed to shrivel for days in the market, that every family, if possible, should grow their own Peas. For early crop, plant as soon as the ground can possibly be worked in the spring, and plant every two weeks thereafter for succession until summer.

Childs' Morning Star—*A new wrinkled Pea, earlier by a week than any of the small round varieties.* This is one of the greatest of recent vegetable novelties. It is the earliest pea grown by nearly a week. It is a fair-sized, wrinkled variety, and, therefore, possesses the same delicious quality of the late wrinkled kinds. For the first time the fine quality of the late varieties is combined with extreme earliness. When this is once tried no other early pea will be grown. Added to its other qualities it is exceedingly prolific, and continues to bear longer than any other early sort. It grows 18 to 20 inches high, and does not require bushing. Mr. William Falconer says: "I ought to tell you about the Morning Star wrinkled pea you let me try here two years ago. I sowed it in single rows in light, warm soil, about the end of March, when I sowed round Peas and Alpha and American Wonder. It astonished me by its earliness, coming in ahead, and it is a good cropper and of fine quality. Better still, it is the most reliable wrinkled pea for fall use—sown August 1st—that I have ever grown." Mr. J. Goody, of Clare, Suffolk, England, writes, "Your pea, 'Morning Star,' beats any pea in England for a first crop." Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.; $3.00 per peck.

Gradus or Prosperity—A new, large podded, strong growing pea, which is only a few days later than the earliest small round sorts. It has all the fine qualities of the large late variety, yet is extra early. So vigorous and strong is its growth that it effectually resists the pea aphis, which do so much damage to early crops nowadays. Largest peas and very finest quality. Stock very scarce. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.; peck, $2.75.

Herald—A new English Dwarf Marrowfat Pea of great value. Of large size, with large pods, very dwarf and compact in growth, and of the finest quality. As a family garden Pea there is probably not a variety that can equal it in desirable qualities, especially in productiveness and superb quality. In all important points it certainly excels. Pkt., 20c.; pint, 60c.; quart, $1.00.

Champion of England—Still able to hold its own among all new comers as a pea of superlatively fine quality. Late and a heavy cropper. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.

Childs' Universal—In Childs' Universal we have a new sort destined to become the universal garden favorite the world over. It was originated over ten years ago, since when it has been carefully selected and grown, until we now have what we believe is the most perfect pea in cultivation. It combines a dwarf habit with fine quality and enormous productiveness, the three essential features all in one sort. It can be styled half-dwarf, not tall enough to require staking, yet branching freely and producing vines enough to give one of the largest crops any pea can yield. The peas are of medium size, wrinkled and of exceedingly high flavor. It is medium size, early and fine for succession if sown at intervals of two weeks. For a standard garden sort, it must take the lead, being superior to Champion of England, inasmuch that it does not require staking. Per pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.; peck, $3.00.

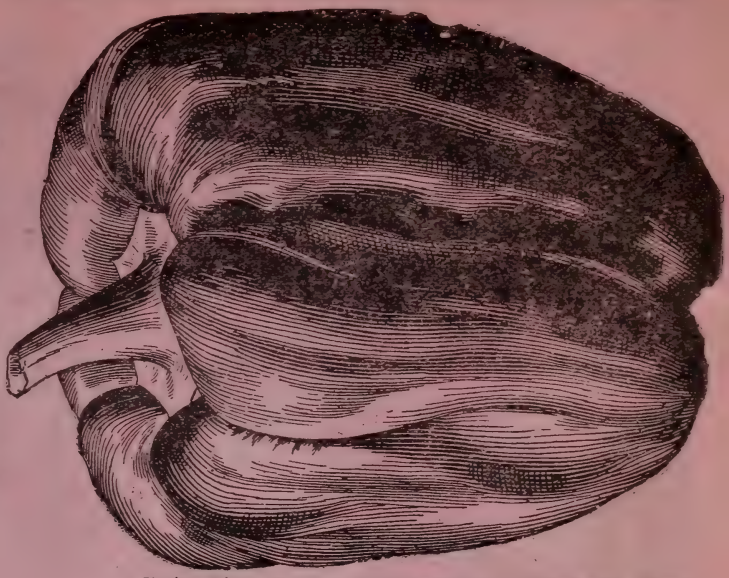
American Wonder—An early wrinkled pea of exquisite flavor, ready for the table in thirty to forty days after planting. Grows only a few inches high. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

McLean's Little Gem—An old standard Tom Thumb variety, still among the very best for a first crop pea. Very hardy. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Everbearing—A fine sort for the home garden, as it does not ripen its pods at one crop, but continues in bearing a long time. Fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Peanut, Early Sweet.

Grow some Peanuts for the children. Not at all hard to grow, and stands the heat and drouth like a salmander. This sort is so early that it ripens in all the Northern States and in Canada, while its quality is of the very best, the nuts being exceedingly sweet and rich when roasted. Any light, sandy, or loose soil suits them. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 30c.



FRUIT AND PLANT OF THE GREAT EXCELSIOR PEPPER.

Pepper.

No trouble whatever to grow. Useful for culinary purposes, ornamental as pot plants and useful in many ways.

Excelsior—A cross between the Chinese Giant and Ruby King, not so large as the former but larger than the latter. It is the earliest of Peppers, and outgrows other kinds. Growth exceedingly vigorous, and each plant produces from 17 to 20 mammoth sized peppers. Better keeper than Ruby King. Half hot. The most valuable market Pepper yet introduced, selling quickly at fancy prices. Pkt., 10c.

Childs' Celestial Improved—A fine sharp-flavored Pepper of transcendent beauty, setting its fruit early and continuing until cut down by frost. A well-grown plant will show peppers in every stage of growth, and in three or four different colors, according to the stage of ripeness, creamy white, pink and vivid scarlet, all on the bush together, a most novel and wonderful sight. Beautiful pot plants; in fact few pot plants make such an attractive show as does the Pepper when in full bearing. It is perfectly charming, showing such quantities of fruit of so many distinct colors. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Ruby King—The beautiful plants are crowded with large, handsome fruits of a bright ruby red color, which grow four to six inches long by three to four inches through. They are *remarkably mild and pleasant to the taste.* So mild is their flavor that they can even be sliced and eaten with vinegar like tomatoes or cucumbers. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.

Chinese Mammoth, or Giant—A grand sweet sort, bearing enormous deep crimson peppers, as large as big turnips. Brings in market double the price of any other sort. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 75c.

Childs' Kaleidoscope—Beautiful enough to be classed among pot plants, yet with a fine sharp flavor that makes it valuable in the garden also. From the time the pretty plum-like peppers form until they are fully grown, they are of a light yellowish-cream color. As they commence to ripen they change, first to clear canary color, then deepening to orange, then again turning to pink or rose, varying from shade to shade until they become a vivid, shining scarlet. One of these Pepper plants, with its dark green leaves, and hanging full of charming pink, yellow, rose and red fruits, is exceedingly beautiful. It is enormously prolific, plants branching freely and weeping with their load of jewel-like fruit. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

The Everlasting Pumpkin.

Keeps Perfect a Year.

This most remarkable Pumpkin, a good companion to our famous Everlasting Cucumber, was originated by a Mr. Vanderveer, of Flatbush, L. I. Attention was first called to its wonderful keeping qualities when he first (a few years since) exhibited three specimens of it at one of the Long Island Agricultural fairs and took first premium in the face of great competition. **The same three specimens were kept in perfect condition and exhibited again the next year**, again taking first premium. This amply illustrates its *Everlasting* or keeping qualities. Pumpkins in first class condition the year round is the just and proud claim for it. But this is not all for in addition to its great keeping qualities it is probably the best all around variety for family use in cultivation. In quality, size and color it is unexcelled. It is rather flat or cheese-shaped, creamy in color outside, a bright deep orange inside. Cavity very small, the flesh being exceedingly thick. It is fine grained, cooks easily and for pies it has a most delicious flavor, far superior to any other Pumpkin we have ever tried. Vine a strong healthy grower and very productive. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Pumpkin.

An indispensable farm crop, and necessary to the kitchen garden. Who is there that would be willing to go without Pumpkin Pies, especially, when made from the following superior sorts.

Large Cheese—An old standard sort, and a grand variety for large field crop. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Small Sugar—This is the small, sweet pumpkin that has made the New England States famous for their pumpkin pies. It is a very fine-grained, most deliciously sweet-flavored pumpkin, also a splendid keeper all through the Winter. They average about ten inches in diameter, of a round, flattened shape; deep orange-yellow color; extremely attractive while growing. Being also most prolific, succeeding splendidly in almost any location. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Genuine Mammoth or True Portion—This is the giant Pumpkin that always takes the premium at the county fairs for size. Grows so large two men can scarcely lift one of the fruits, which have been grown to weigh nearly or quite 200 pounds. Flesh bright yellow and very fair quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50.

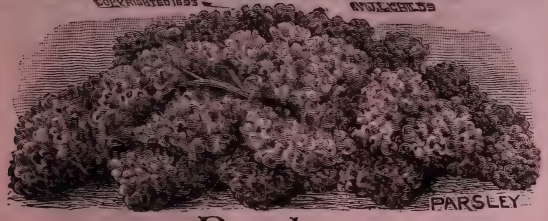
Above 4 sorts for 25c.

The Two Finest Parsnips.

One of the few winter vegetables. The roots are perfectly hardy and are improved in flavor by the action of the frost. Roots can be dug during thaws in winter or very early in spring, when a change of food is most relished. They are boiled whole, then sliced thin and fried brown with slices of salt pork.

Improved Guernsey—This is not the coarse Stock Guernsey, but the table variety of that name, the sweetest, finest grained Parsnip grown. Smooth, thick roots, about 12 inches long. Very fine stewed, fried, etc. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Improved Long Smooth Hollow Crown—An old standard variety, of fine quality with very long roots. This is the sort most raised for stock feeding, and for that purpose it is truly a valuable root. All cattle relish Parsnips immensely and thrive wonderfully when they feed free upon them. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

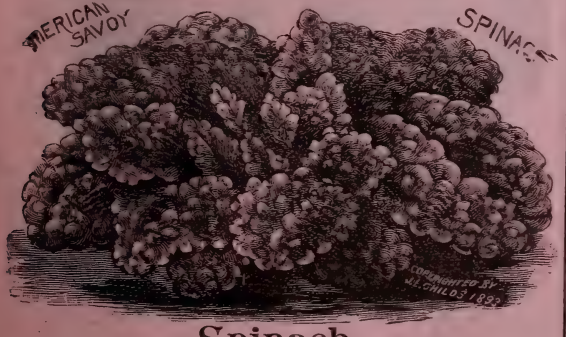


Parsley.

Hardy and easily grown. Very fine for garnishing, as well as useful for flavoring soups, etc.

Extra Double Curled—Mossy curled and crisped leaves: very beautiful and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.

Beauty of the Parterre—One of the finest sorts for garnishings or low edgings. Very fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00



Spinach.

American Savoy—A heavy cropper, of fine quality and very hardy; succulent leaves, curled and crinkled like Savoy Cabbage. Hardiest and most productive sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.

New Zealand—A valuable new variety, as it grows freely all summer and may be cut repeatedly. As fast as cut new shoots and leaves grow out. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

The Crimson Winter or Ever-Ready Rhubarb

Luther Burbank, of California, the noted Horticulturist and creator of new plants and flowers, considers this the greatest novelty he has ever produced. We made a trip all the way to California to see it and were so impressed with its value that we bought the entire stock. Briefly its wonderful qualities are as follows:

FIRST—It is the earliest of all Rhubarb by a long way and fit for use not only in the spring, but all through the summer and fall. As fast as stalks are pulled fresh ones will take their place. In the Southern and Pacific states it may be used all the year round, requiring only water in dry localities to keep it growing. It is particularly fine in winter. Color, bright crimson except new stalks on young plants.

SECOND—It forces readily in the greenhouse or coldframes, and will become popular and very profitable in the North for this purpose. For winter growing in the Southern and Pacific states it will prove to be a great thing.

THIRD—In quality this Rhubarb is simply superb, fully equal in flavor to the finest berries. The stalks are not so bulky, soft and watery as most other kinds, and the skin is so thin and tender that it is not necessary to remove it, and when cooked a beautiful crimson-colored sauce is the result, looking, as well as tasting, like berries. Flavor sprightly and refreshing, combining that of the Raspberry and Strawberry, but greatly superior to either as a cooked fruit. In fact, it makes the most delicious sauce and pies we have ever tasted, while its beautiful color when cooked makes it exceedingly attractive and appetizing.

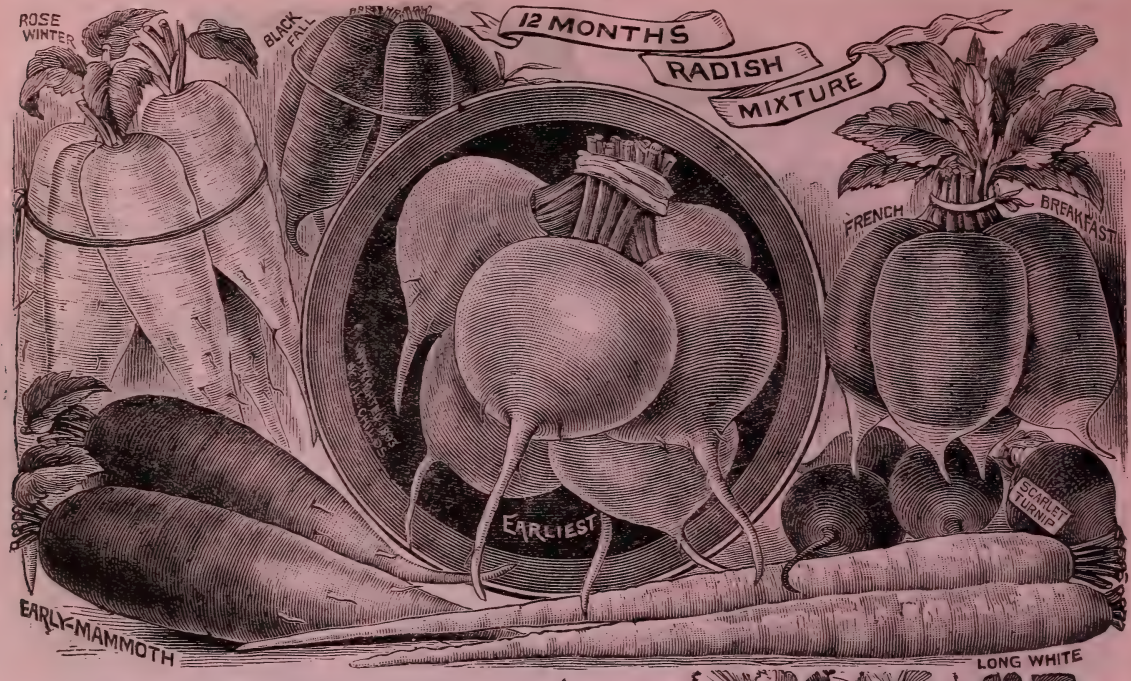
FOURTH—It is a rapid and perpetual grower, forming new crowns continually, and is rapidly increased by division: robust and perfectly hardy anywhere. It will stand frosts which would destroy any other sort.

Mr. Burbank says: "For forcing under glass in the cold North for constant supply for home use, and for growing in California and the South for shipping North it is more profitable than anything else which the soil produces."

Set the plants 2½ by six feet apart. Two dry, dormant plants mailed to us in spring by Mr. Burbank, and planted out about May 1st, grew so vigorously that on July first there were more than a dozen stalks fit to pull, on some of which were leaves measuring 3 feet in length by two feet broad. Dec. 1st we were still pulling fine stalks from them.

SEED—Per pkt., 15c.; 2 pkts., 25c. Grows easily from seed, making large stalks for use the first season.

ROOTS—We can supply vigorous seedling roots, 6 for 60c.; 12 for $1.00; 100 for $8.00, postage or express prepaid.



Radish.

The following are the cream of all sorts.

Earliest Forcing--Earlier than any other sort by a week. Bright scarlet turnip Radish, very smooth and round, with small tops, allowing it to be grown closely together in hot-bed or forcing bench. Fine also for out-of-door. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Early Mammoth—Known also as "Shepard" and "Chartier." This variety sometimes reaches the enormous length of two or three feet and is sometimes eight inches through at the top. A very quick growing variety, crisp, juicy and tender, and mild in flavor. Its color is a fresh pink and white, and for market has no superior among summer Radishes. It remains tender and good for several weeks after it is ready for use and is a splendid all around Radish. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb.; 70c.

French Breakfast—A very attractive pink and white Radish, olive-shaped and with delicate flavored flesh, free from coarseness or any biting quality. A grand little table sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

White Vienna—Finest of all long white Radishes. Skin and flesh pure white, beautiful shape and fine flavored. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Early Scarlet Turnip—A fine quick-growing early Radish, of fine eating qualities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Chinese Rose, Winter — A handsome and superior midsummer, fall and winter sort, of a lovely scarlet-rose color and large size. Flesh meaty, crisp and tender. Keep roots in soil for winter use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c; lb., 90c.

20 Days Express—Is fit for the table in twenty days from the time of sowing the seed and is fully grown in twenty-five days, at which time the Radish is about one inch in diameter at the top, three inches in length and tapering to a point. Color, brightest, richest scarlet, tipped with white. Quality very mild, crisp and delicious. By far the best flavored Radish we have ever seen, and the most desirable for table use. The finest, and, without doubt, the earliest Radish in cultivation. It contains all good points. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.00.

Sakurajima Mammoth—One of the good new things from Japan. It is of very quick growth, reaching an enormous size in a short time. Color pure white; crisp and tender, and of remarkably mild and pleasant flavor. An ideal table Radish. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Twelve Months' Radish Mixture—A superb mixture of all kinds of Radishes, early, medium, fall, winter, Chinese, etc. Sow a row of it and it will furnish you delicious Radishes throughout the year. The early and medium ones, as they mature and are pulled, make room for the larger growth of the fall and winter varieties. This mixture is made up of twenty-five best varieties, and with it it is necessary to make but one sowing for the entire year. This novel mixture was introduced by us some years ago, and our customers liked it so well that last season we sold tons of it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; ¼lb., 30c.; lb., 90c.

One packet each of the 10 sorts including Icicle. 50c.

New Radish Icicle.

A long Radish of almost transparent whiteness, which has no rival among all existing varieties. It is so early that the roots are 4 to 5 inches long in twenty days from the time of sowing the seed in the open ground, and ready for the table. As to quality, it has no superior, and is the most beautiful Radish yet seen. A long white, alabaster-like, early variety has not previously existed. This is a real jewel. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Squash.

A delicious table vegetable, and when cooked like Pumpkins, make superior pies.

Ford Hook—A long, golden yellow Squash, with very dry and fine-grained flesh. This is one of the best winter Squashes, and an extra fine keeper, and the plants are so robust that failure is very rare. Resists the attacks of the Squash borer better than most kinds; matures early and is a sure cropper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c., lb., $1.25.

Sibley—Another fine winter Squash that keeps well nearly all winter. Shell hard and flinty; pale green in color. Flesh a brilliant orange-red; very dry and rich flavor. A fine baking variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Metcalf—A Maine variety of extra fine quality, fine grained and dry. No better eating Squash can be found anywhere. A long winter keeper, good till spring. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

Perfect Gem—This sort is good for summer and winter use. Thin skinned, fine grained and of very pleasant flavor. Will keep any length of time. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.

Mammoth Chili—Specimens of this have been grown to reach 300 pounds in weight. Notwithstanding its enormous size, this Squash is of very fair quality, and keeps well. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

Mammoth Whale—A new French variety of the enormous weight of one hundred or more pounds. Fruit thick and an ashy-gray color, and tapering toward the end. Flesh solid, beautiful orange-yellow, and of excellent quality. It has also the advantage of being a long keeper and a variety which does well in any soil or climate. It is a splendid variety in all respects, especially for exhibiting at fairs. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Giant Summer Crookneck—A new crookneck, which is a little earlier than the old variety, and fully twice as large, being nearly two feet in length. It is of extra fine quality, handsome in appearance, and finds a ready sale at good prices in any market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Early Scallop—An early summer sort. Very fine and popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Japanese Alphabet—Seed marked with characters resembling Japanese letters. We find it to be superior to the old Hubbard in quality, and a much stronger and freer grower, as easily raised, in short, as Pumpkins. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., for 25c.

Improved Hubbard—(Private Stock)—No more popular Squash than the Hubbard has ever been grown. Of late years it has largely lost favor because stocks have become badly mixed with inferior strains. Our stock is quite limited, but is absolutely true and will produce the old-fashioned, deliciously sweet Squash we all remember. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.75.

Neapolitan—(New)—This gigantic Squash is from 24 to 30 inches long, with peculair shape. It has very small seed cavity the whole fruit being almost solid meat. It is dry, fine grained and rich in flavor, and is as easily grown as a pumpkin anywhere. A most superb novelty. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 30c.

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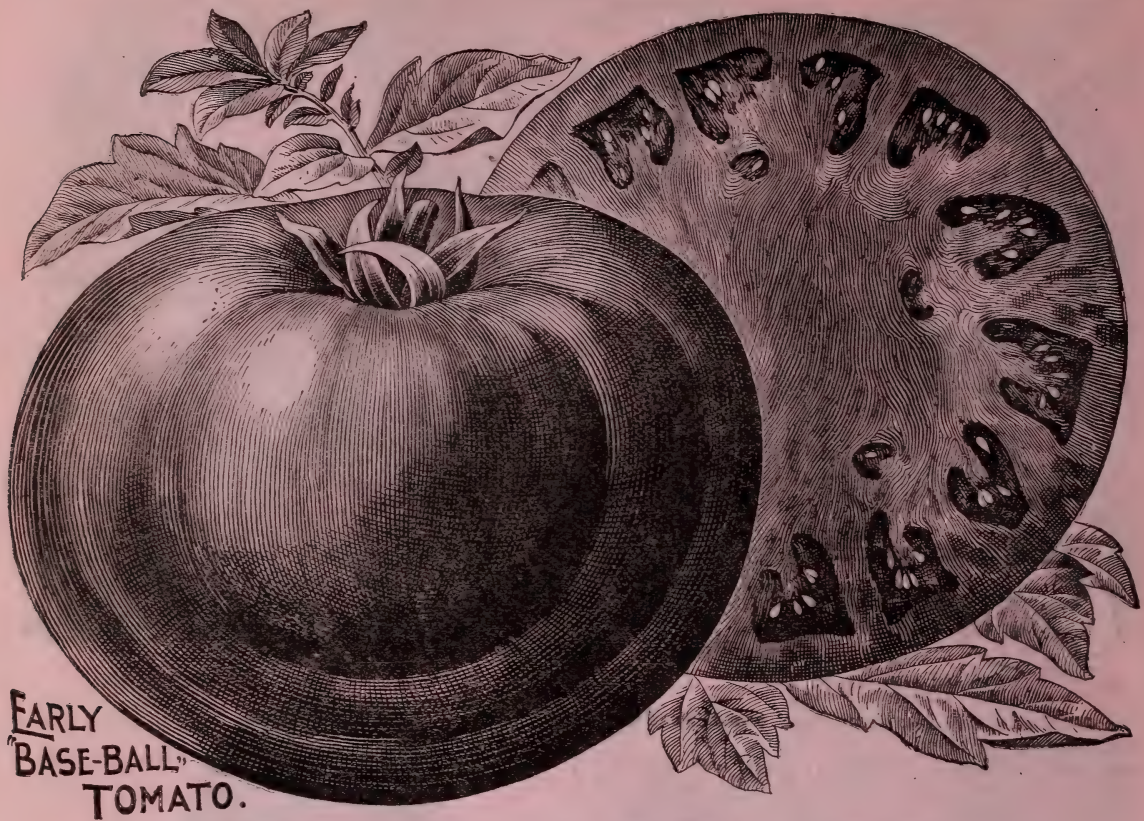


EARLY "BASE-BALL" TOMATO.

Childs' Peerless Tomatoes.

It has been our good fortune to introduce from time to time some New Tomatoes that have proved to be peerless in every way. There is not on the market at this time a variety superior to the following 10 sorts, all our own naming and introducing.

Tomatoes are an indispensable vegetable. City dwellers with almost no room can train their Tomatoes to their back walls and raise quantities of fine, fresh fruit for their own use. Start early in the house or hot-bed, transplant just after a gentle rain, and tie plants to stake or trellis. They stand drouth remarkably well. Just before frost pick all the well developed fruits, spread them singly in a light, frost-proof place, and they will continue ripening for two months or more.

Childs' Early Baseball—In many ways this is about as fine a vegetable novelty as we ever introduced, not excepting the Everlasting Cucumber, Half Century and Crisphead Lettuce, Rosy Nugget Watermelon, and Long Podded Lima. We will not say it is the earliest of all Tomatoes, but it is as early as any and very much earlier than any other large first-class sort. Unlike other early Tomatoes Baseball is not small but extra large; one of the very largest, and by all odds the smoothest, heaviest and most solid variety in cultivation. It has very little seed cavity but has solid flesh pulp, tender, and free from all traces of coarseness or green core. It is a rich crimson color throughout and of unsurpassed quality. By all odds the Tomato for both the home garden and the market gardener. 15c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 30c.; oz., 50c.

Childs' Ruby Queen—Tomato of enormous size, and as smooth as an apple. Its color is the deepest and darkest crimson-red, very rich and beautiful. It is very solid, very thin skin, and its flesh throughout is most tender. It has not a particle of coarseness or toughness. It is just the sort you would choose for your own table above all others. It is much like the Golden Jubilee, except in color, and is perhaps rounder and smoother in shape. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

Great Mississippi—A. W. Martin, Duncan, Miss., first wrote us as follows: "I have grown a wonderful Tomato plant. It is eight feet two inches high and has a circumference of 15½ feet. It has ripened 167 Tomatoes on it and as many blossoms, and still it grows. As to the flavor of the fruit, it is far more delicate and sweet than the common Tomato." Other letters from the neighborhood confirmed Mr. Martin's report and the Tomato evidently created a genuine sensation. We grow a large crop of it and find it to be, as Mr. Martin says, a remarkable grower and cropper. While we had no specimen plants that came up to his, we can readily believe that they might even exceed that record if given special attention, as the growth and yield for ordinary field cultivation was perfectly marvelous. The Tomatoes are of medium to large size, bright, deep crimson and as smooth as wax. We have never seen a more beautiful fruit of any variety, or fruit which run so uniformly even in size and beauty. It is certainly a great acquisition. 10c. per packet; 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 40c.

Childs' Picture Rock—The grandest Tomato ever introduced. Early smooth, uniform, prolific, longest bearing, longest keeping and the finest in quality. In all these esential points this Tomato is superior to any other kind. Fruit bright scarlet, of fair size and so perfect and uniform that they look as though each one was moulded with the same stamp. On account of this perfect shape and great beauty it is unsurpassed for market. Its quality is extra fine and it commences to ripen its fruit very early and continues in bearing until frost, a most remarkable quality. Its keeping qualities are, however, the most wonderful. Ripe fruit, fresh from the vines, have been kept in perfect condition from three to four weeks during warm summer weather. It originated in the Picture Rock region of Wisconsin, hence its name. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

Garden-Sowing—The great merit of this new Tomato is that it is so early and such a hardy, sturdy grower that it is not necessary to start seed in the house or hot-beds but it may be sown in hills directly in the garden at corn-planting time. Plants from these garden-grown seed make a very quick growth, showing ripe fruit almost as early as the earliest varieties which are started in hot-beds. This is a feature which will save a vast amount of trouble in Tomato growing and will be appreciated by many. Fruit of medium size, bright red in color and perfect in shape. Of course fruit may be had a little earlier by starting the plants inside in which case it is earliest of all early varieties, but it ripens so quickly and grows so well from garden sowing that we recommend it being grown in that way. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Climbing Tomato—A novel Tomato of a climbing habit that, if supported, climbs to a considerable height. A very unique ornament to the kitchen-door-way or window when hanging full of its many large fruits. Fruit smooth, solid and of fine flavor. Quite a novelty and in every respect a very unique Tomato. Pkt., 10c.

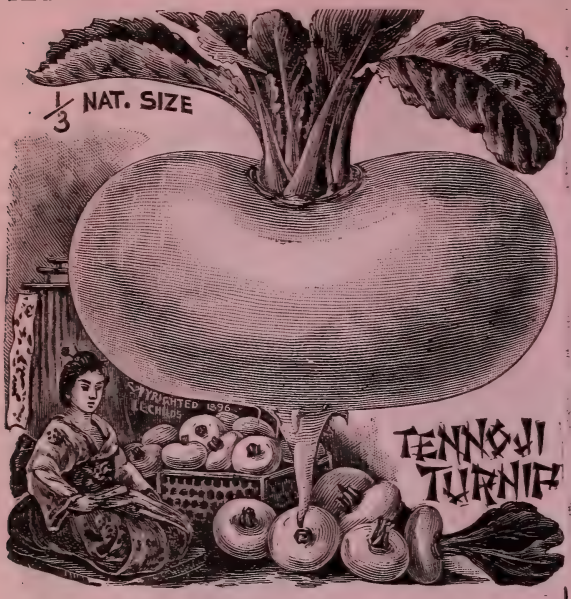
Preserving Fig—Fruit small, beautifully smooth, and almost incredibly productive. The flesh is solid, thick-meated, very sweet and pleasant, and is just right for preserves and sweet pickles, or for drying in sugar like figs. In fact it dries well and is an admirable fruit when dry, fully equal to the fig. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

Childs' Diadem—Here we have at last what leading horticulturists all over the world have devoted years to producing. A Tomato of high quality, with a beautiful striped and variegeted skin. Can you imagine anything more unique? Diadem is a Tomato of medium size, perfect shape, high quality and of a deep ruby-red, the rich dark color of the skin being broken with stripes and spots of gold, the beautiful effects of which are admirably shown in cut. Not only is it beautiful, but in points of excellence in other respects it is quite up to Picture Rock, which is now the standard of perfection. It is of fair size, smooth handsome shape, and of best quality. This splendid novelty was introduced by us recently, and has given great satisfaction everywhere. Many people say that it is the most novel thing, and by far the greatest attraction in their gardens. Everybody is delighted with it. 10c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 50c.

Childs' Golden Jubilee—A fit companion to the Ruby Queen, and, like it, of enormous size, specimens having been grown that weighed over two pounds each. The fruits are round and solid, with few seeds; flesh meaty and like all yellow varieties, very sweet and mild in flavor. A beautiful table sort especially when arranged with the deep, rich slices of Ruby Queen on the same dish. The skin of this sort parts readily from the fruit without scalding. An important feature. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 50c.

Improved Station Tree—This variety originated by crossing the French Tree with Alpha, the result being a very distinct variety, with thick, curly, almost black-green foliage and great numbers of handsome, solid fruit with the fewest seeds of any known variety. Tomatoes are of very fine quality, and this sort is especially recommeded for forcing, as it does extra well in pots, the earliest of all, and being of fine upright growth it requires but little room. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

SPECIAL OFFER—One pkt. each of these 10 Superb Tomatoes for only 60c.



Turnips.

A valuable garden and farm crop. Good turnips are almost as desirable for table use as Potatoes. For winter use sow last of July or first of August. Turnips may be sown late in ground that has had early crops.

Extra Early Milan—The earliest strap-leaved variety. A smooth, medium-sized variety, with a bright purple top. Fine quality and a good keeper. Very delicious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

White Egg—Beautiful white, egg-shaped sort, of rapid growth. Flesh firm and solid, fine grained, sweet, and of very mild flavor. Fine either for early or late variety. Grows to good size. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

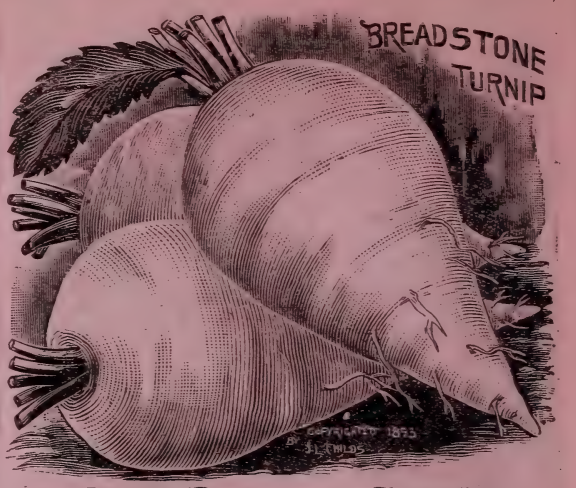
Tennoji—The Tennoji Turnip is a mammoth flat variety of excellent quality. It is impossible to say just how large it will grow under favorable conditions, but the Japanese claim is something incredible. Here in our trial grounds, under the disadvantage of a crowded test bed, it has grown to the largest dimensions we have ever seen in a Turnip. Finest Japanese seed. 10c. per pkt.; oz., 35c.

Scarlet Kashmyr—This Turnip has a striking resemblance to a large Radish, being as large and uniform in shape and crisp as a Radish, and of a most excellent quality. It matures almost as quickly as the early Radish, and when cooked is of surpassing quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

Purple Top White Globe—A large Turnip of fine keeping qualities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Large Yellow Globe—A large round Turnip, with deep yellow flesh and fine, firm grain; very sweet and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Extra Early Milan, and Breadstone Ruta-Baga, are the very best Turnips of their class. Tennoji is also a grand good variety of enormous size.



Ruta Baga, or Swede.

These are grown largely for stock feeding, as well as for table use. For either purpose they are a profitable crop.

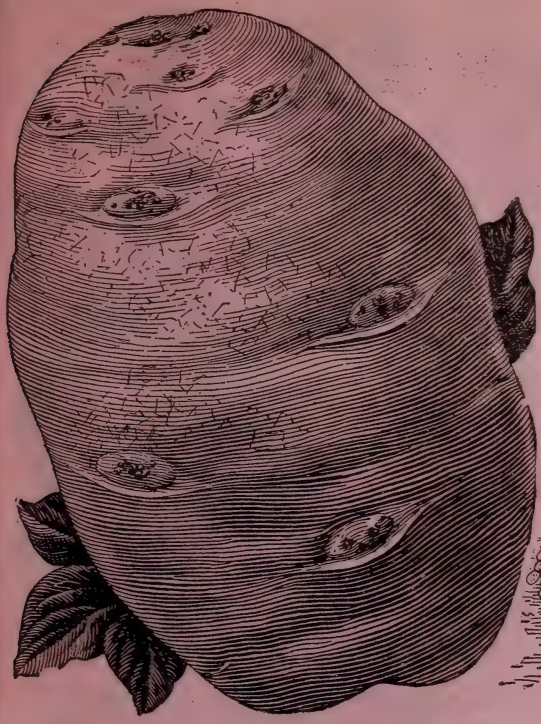
Carter's Elephant—A new Turnip of great size and a wonderful cropper. In shape it is beautiful and perfect and remarkably uniform, of quick growth, and excellent quality. Owing to its very large size it will probably turn out 50 per cent. more bushels to the acre than any other, and is, therefore, the most profitable variety for large crops, especially for feeding. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Breadstone—A beautiful white Ruta-baga, so remarkably tender that it will cook in fifteen minutes, while the flavor is uncommonly sweet and delicate. It is also a wonderful keeper, not growing pithy and dry like the ordinary Turnip, when kept in the cellar over winter. Flesh perfectly white, fine grained, tender and sweet, without the strong taste so common among Ruta-bagas. Finest of all varieties. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 65c.

Improved American Ruta-Baga—Large, smooth and handsome, quick in growth, tender and fine in quality. A superb standard sort. Pk., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Tobacco, Persian Muscatelle.

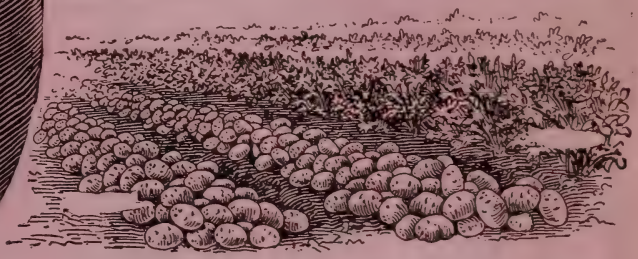
This is the best of all, an exceedingly ornamental plant, and so early it can be grown in any State. It is from the garden of the King of Persia. It is one of the earliest varieties, of a remarkably strong, vigorous growth, attaining the height of five to seven feet. The stalks are strong, thickly set with leaves, many of them measuring 3½ to 4½ feet in length, with proportionate width. The leaves are usually small ribbed, very elastic, of finest possible texture, a light brown color, and mild flavor. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.



Potato, Monarch of France.

This remarkable Novelty was supplied by the French Government and it has certainly proved to be a wonderful thing. The French Department of Agriculture has spent a good deal of money to introduce it in France on account of its remarkable points of merit. It is claimed to be the most prolific Potato on the market and not alone that but what is more important yet, that it is almost frost proof, entirely free from the disastrous effects of the Potato blight and rot, which frequently play terrible havoc with other kinds not only in Europe but in America. Furthermore, it was claimed that, it would do well in wet marshy ground, also in shallow soils where no other Potato would grow. Our trials at Floral Park have borne out these claims. The foliage was green and luxuriant to the end of the season without any sign of blight when other kinds planted near it were full of mildew. When dug the crop was found to be enormously heavy. The skin of the Potato is smooth and untouched by spot or rot where other kinds, especially the early varieties, were badly affected by it, owing to the wet weather and generally unfavorable season. The color of the Potato is a light reddish blue, exceedingly handsome, and the quality when cooked of the very best. We believe this to be of great value to agriculture in general. We have only a limited quantity of seed, but those who plant a few hills and establish a crop will reap a rich harvest in the next few years.

Fine perfect tubers, free by mail or express, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.



Australian Fodder Grass.

This newest, rarest and best of all grasses has become world famous, though very little of it has yet left Australia. There where it is known it commands fabulous prices. It is the greatest forage grass known, having the great nutriment of Buffalo grass and a growth so rank and rapid that continuous cutting or grazing is furnished. From seed it will grow in one summer to heavy stools with masses of blades a foot or more long. The wise farmer will make a start with it at once. We have only a limited supply of seed, but have a good lot of plants from divided stools. Seed 20c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 50c.

Plants for seeding and for establishing patches 75c. per dozen,; $5.00, per 100.

New Early Potato, Lady Llewellyn.

This potato is the sensation of Great Britain, owing to its extreme earliness and enormous productiveness. While as early or earlier than any other it is two and three times as productive as all the leading early kinds, which makes it of enormous value. One stalk has yielded as much as 8 to 9 lbs. of fine tubers. It is also of exceptional quality, having but few equals in this respect, and is a great rot and blight resister. There is probably not another sort outside of Monarch of France that is less subject to vine blight, or any other disease, or rot in the tubers. It is with a good deal of satisfaction that we are able to offer this splendid variety in limited quantity. Fine tubers, prepaid, 20c. each 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Wonder Forage Plant.

Most productive hay or fodder plant known. Grows 12 to 14 feet high and ripens a heavy crop of seed in 100 days from sowing. It can be mown down when it reaches 5 or 6 feet for hay, and will grow up again so quickly that 3 to 5 mowings are secured in a season. One pound of seed covers an acre sown broadcast, or in drills 12 to 18 inches apart, dropping seed six inches apart. The broad, dark green leaves closely resemble corn and it surpasses in nutritive value any other forage plant. It is greatly relished by all kinds of stock, either green or cured. For seed purposes plant 3 feet apart each way and cultivate. There will be 40 stalks to each plant and 20 seed heads which are from 12 to 24 inches long and covered with seed. Besides a heavy crop of fodder, it will yield 3,000 pounds of seed per acre, unequalled for poultry food, and will ripen in any latitude that will ripen corn. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.; 3 lbs., for $2.00.

Teosinte.

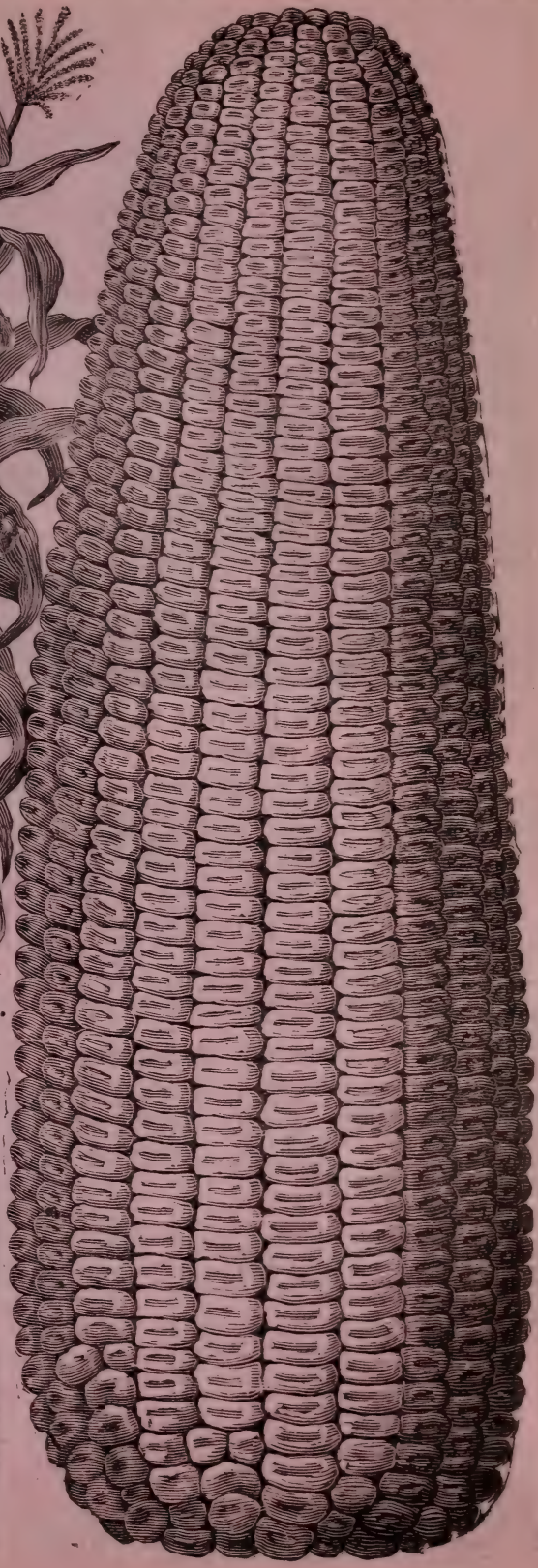
This is another forage or fodder plant, and is the great thing for the South. In appearance it resembles Corn, but the leaves are much longer and broader and sweeter. It grows 12 feet high, producing a number of shoots, which are thickly covered with heavy foliage. It produces forty tons to the acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50.

New Golden Flint Corn, Yardstick.

A most valuable New Field Corn which is bound to become immensely popular. This on account of its great beauty, enormous productiveness and earliness. In cold climates where the season is short Yardstick is just the Corn that is needed. It gets its name from the enormous length of ears, which though not a yard in length are often one-half of it, by far the longest eared Corn we have ever seen, and the most beautiful. Color golden yellow and as hard as flint. Quality like that of all the fine flint Corns, which is much superior to any dent variety. There is no doubt but that Yardstick is twice as productive as the common varieties of flint Corn. It will yield as many ears, and each ear easily contains twice as much shelled-Corn. Its superb qualities will be appreciated by those who grind it into meal for home consumption. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 35c.; 3 lbs., $1.00. (Postpaid.) By express at buyer's expense, peck, $1.00.; bushel $3.00.

Early Canary Millet.

A new sort of great value, for the reason that it will mature a crop of hay in 60 days, and ripen seed in 70 to 80 days. It is of a fine green color and is of superior quality for feeding. Stands heat and drouth to a remarkable degree—in fact, being so very early it largely escapes drouths. Owing to its great "tillering" quality it requires only 12 pounds of seed per acre for hay or seed. It is undoubtedly the finest cheap forage ever introduced, and having a large heavy seed it is unsurpassed for poultry and bird feed. All kind of wild birds eat it eagerly, and for canaries or other caged birds as well as for poultry it is great. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c. lb., 35c.; 3 lbs., $1.00.; peck, $1.50.; bushel, $4.00 prepaid.



GOLDEN SUPERB.

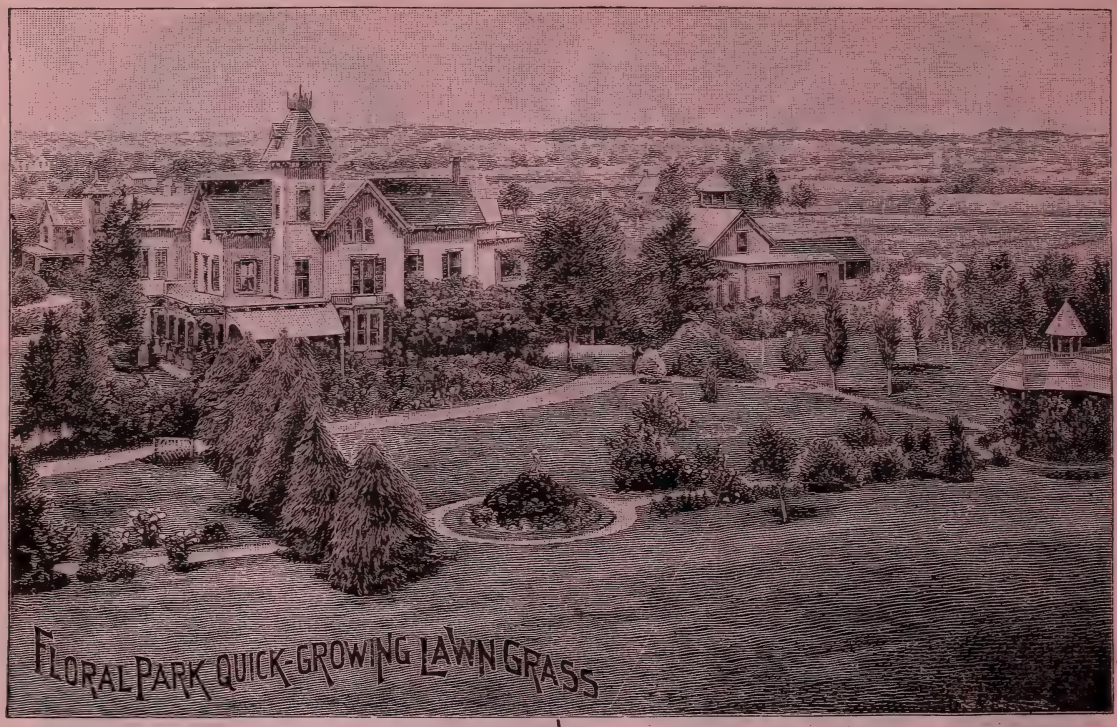
New Field Corn.

GOLDEN SUPERB.

The Most Valuable Field Corn Ever Grown, and Now the Leading Favorite Where Known from Maine to California.

An enormous golden dent variety, so early that it can be grown in the Northern States, and out-yields any other sort. It originated in Connecticut. It is the finest Field Corn we have ever seen. Ears very large and handsome, 24 rows of deep kernels. It is enormously prolific, producing over 200 bushels to the acre in very dry seasons, in hills four feet apart each way, and with ordinary cultivation. Its great vigor enables it to stand dry weather remarkably, and give a good crop, where other sorts fail from drouth. Often two or three ears are borne on one stalk, and they run as uniform as though they were all made in the same mould, and they are as perfect and handsome as though they were made of wax. No other variety of Corn can approach this, and it is bound, when known, to be more extensively grown than all other kinds put together. Owing to its extreme earliness it may be harvested earlier than any other Dent Corn, even when planted much later. It is the earliest by several weeks of dent varieties. It is seldom one sees anything bred up to such perfection as is this new Corn. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 35c.; 3 pounds for $1.00, postpaid. By express or freight, at buyers' expense, peck, 75c.; bushel, $2.50.

Although it has been more than ten years since we introduced Golden Superb, our sales of it last year were much larger than any previous year, showing that it is appreciated.



Floral Park Lawn Grass.

QUICK GROWING.

Not even fine trees and beautiful flowers add as much beauty to the home surroundings as does a fine, velvety lawn. To secure a fine, close, even sward, it is absolutely necessary to use proper grasses. Good, deep, rich color and turfy, compact habit, stooling out well from the bottom, and they must be able to stand the sun well, and a considerable amount of drouth, without injury. We have a mixture of grasses that meets all these requirements. We use it at Floral Park, where it has been much admired. We have sold it in every State and Territory in the United States, and it has given entire satisfaction in every location. It grows quickly, making a fine green sward in a few weeks. A whole season's drouth will not kill out this grass. It may dry and burn as brown as possible, but the first good rain will immediately bring it up green and velvety. 35c, per quart; $2.00 per peck or $5.00 per bushel, prepaid.

Alpine Everbearing Strawberry.

These grow freely from seed and fruit the first summer. Our experience with them is as follows: In March or April we sow seed (under glass). The young plants appear in a short time and grow well, and in May are transplanted to the open ground. By the first of July they commence blooming, and the first fruit ripens about the 14th of that month. From that time there is ripe fruit continually until late in October. The berries, while not quite so large as the garden varieties, are much higher flavored. In fact, they are in quality far superior to all others. A few of them will perfume a whole room, so great is their delicious aroma. Who could desire a more unique novelty than they? Grow Strawberries from seed, like Pansies, and have delicious fruit all summer, some white, some red, some black, and some (the bush varieties,) which produce no runners.

Bush Varieties—Wonderful berries, having no runners, but growing into immense stool plants; fruit similar to other Alpine; enormous yielder, single plants in this State having yielded one pint of berries at a picking in November. Fine for borders, as they throw out no runners, and are slightly beautiful when loaded with their dense crops of fruit; grow easily from seed, the seedlings bearing well the first summer. Perfectly hardy and exquisite flavor. City people or others, who desire to do so, can grow the bush varieties admirably in pots. They are well adapted to pot culture, and will even fruit well during winter.

Everbearing Bush, White—Beautiful snow-white fruit—of exquisite flavor.....15

Everbearing Bush, Red—Like the above, but a fine crimson color.....15

Runner Varieties, Mixed—White, crimson and black fruited. These are everlasting, fruiting freely from June till October. The plants increase rapidly by runners, like ordinary sorts. All perfectly hardy in any climate.....10

Large-Fruited Sorts Mixed—We have all heard of the great size and luscious sweetness of the French Strawberries. We have secured seed of the finest large-fruited kinds, which we have every reason to believe will produce varieties far superior to those in cultivation in this country.....10

One pkt. each of the 4 sorts for 40c.

Strawberry seed sometimes takes a long time to germinate. It is well to soak it in warm water before sowing.

Helianthi.

A showy flower and a marvelous new winter vegetable,—a complete substitute for fresh Asparagus. Yields half as much again as Irish Potatoes.

This new vegetable is a hybrid Helianthi and is of the Sunflower family, producing showy golden yellow flowers like Cosmos blossoms, in endless profusion and immense quantities of long fleshy tubers, somewhat after the style of Sweet Potatoes. It stands both heat and cold and will thrive anywhere in any sort of soil or climate, and as a flower is very showy in any position.

CULTURE.—Plant tubers in spring or fall three feet apart each way in rows and hill up the same as potatoes. Harvest the tubers after the tops die in the fall and store in pit or cellar like sweet potatoes, giving them a covering of moist sand. The yield is certainly enormous.

FOOD VALUE.—As a hog or cattle food Helianthi is far superior to anything else but as a table vegetable it must rank high, being tender and palatable, more easily digested than potatoes, and remarkably free from starch.

Dr. Koch a well known food specialist gives the following figures as units of food value:—

Helianthi	540.5
Green Peas	465.0
Turnips	133.0
Potatoes	126.8

This interesting comparison needs no comment.

Its taste is difficult to describe. It resembles somewhat the French artichoke and asparagus with a distinct flavor of mushrooms. May be cooked in many ways like potatoes, asparagus, cauliflower, oyster plant, squash, etc. Cut and fried the tubers excel French fried potatoes. The green stalks are fine food for cattle and may be cut repeatedly during the growing season. Helianthi will give great satisfaction both as a flower and vegetable. Tubers for planting, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; 15 for $2.00.

SUMMER FLOWERING BULBS.

The word Bulb sends a thrill to the heart of every lover of flowers whenever it is heard. No other word in horticulture seems to indicate so much or raise in one's mind such vivid pictures of grace, brilliancy and delicate beauty. In our mind we see long spikes of Gladiolus of brilliant, fascinating and varied colors; great flaming Amaryllis of indescribable beauty; Gloxinias, spotted, marked and colored most exquisitely; great spikes of waxy Tuberoses of wonderful purity and fragrance; lovely, graceful, charming Zephyranthes and Mexican Gems; exquisite Dahlias and fantastic Tigridias.

Bulbs are favorites with all, and they are planted by many who will not grow any other class of flowers. They are so easily grown and so satisfactory to everyone that they are invaluable. Summer-flowering Bulbs require no skill and very little attention to grow them to perfection. Plant them in the garden in spring, after severe freezing is passed, and they will soon be up and will flourish and bloom all summer. In Autumn, after early freezing, the Bulbs should be lifted and started in a cellar or some other position away from frost, for planting again the following spring. We are headquarters for Summer-flowering Bulbs, and grow and sell more of them than any other two houses in the world.

The Gladiolus.

The Gladiolus is our leading specialty, and our collection is the largest and finest in the world—in fact, we supply most of the bulbs which the world uses. We grow one hundred and thirty acres of them and upwards of 15,000,000 flowering bulbs. Gladiolus being our leading specialty, are here offered at less than one-half the usual price. Our Childsis and Lemoineis are simply grand. Do not miss them.

The Gladiolus is the most satisfactory, the most desirable and the most popular of all garden bulbs. Nothing else of the kind costs so little, and nothing else grows and blooms so rapidly for anybody and everybody, in any soil or climate. It is, in short, the most satisfactory garden flower, thriving and blooming, as it does, with the least care and attention, and makes a display which for brilliancy and beauty of coloring few bulbs can equal and none surpass. The Gladiolus is to the flower garden what bread is to man, "The staff of life." Our collection is so large that many of the finest and highest priced sorts of European Catalogues can be supplied by us by the ten thousands, and we offer them at very low prices. Not only do we grow the finest varieties of Gandavensis by the million, but also Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrids. But the finest of all Gladiolus is the new strain, Childsi. This novelty is of such sterling worth that it deserves more than special attention.

CULTURE—Gladiolus are of the simplest culture. Plant at any time from April to July, in any fairly good soil, well spaded. Set in rows three inches apart, or in masses, six inches apart each way. Plant in full sun, if possible, and keep down weeds. They bloom from July to October. After fall frosts, lift the bulbs, and, after removing the tops, let them dry for two or three weeks in any airy position, under cover. Then, after removing the roots, store them in a cellar, or any cool, dry place, away from frost, for planting again the following spring.

New Gladiolus for This Year

The following fine sorts originated with us some years ago and are now named and introduced for the first time.

Dorothy Burnham—(CHILDSI)—Enormous size, rosy flame color with large pure white throat. Splendid.

Pink Pearl—(CHILDSI)—Light delicate pink, like a fine pink colored pearl. Exquisite.

Rosy Spray—(CHILDSI)—White, beautifully sprayed rose. Large and fine.

Geo. Volmer—(GAND.)—Dark pink suffused orange, with light yellow rays and throat. Very fine.

Price, 40c. each; the 4 for $1.50

Mixed Gladiolus.

By Mail or Express Prepaid.

Our mixed Gladiolus are not the poor dull colors, old discarded red sorts and worthless seedlings usually sent out as mixtures. On the contrary, they are made up from splendid named sorts, brightest and most varied colors, white, yellow, pink, rose, blush, intense scarlet, carmine, violet, striped, blotched, variegated, etc. Common and poor sorts have been discarded, and this mixture is of the highest grade.

Mixed, All Colors, First Size—Extra large flowering bulbs, Per dozen, 30c.; per 100, $2.00; per 1000, $16.00.

Mixed, All Colors, Second Size—These are all fine blooming, young vigorous bulbs. Per dozen, 15c.; per 100, $1.00; per 1000, $8.00, by mail.

Mixed, White and Light Varieties Only—First size, 30c. per dozen; $2.25 per 100.

Mixed, Scarlet Varieties Only—25c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100.

Mixed, Pink Varieties Only—25c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100.

Mixed, Yellow and Orange Only—Per dozen; 50c.

Mixed, Blue Hybrids—A new strain, a large per cent. of the flowers of which are of various shades of blue. Per dozen, $1.00.

Mixed Childsi Gladiolus.

All Colors and Varieties.

First Size—Extra large. 35c. per doz.; $2.50 per 100; $20. per 1000.

Second Size—Good flowering bulbs, 25c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1000.

Mixed, White and Light Colors Only—50c. per dozen.

Fine Mixed Lemoinei.

A splendid mixture of named sorts comprising more than 50 kinds. All splendid flowering bulbs that will make a great show. 20c. per doz.; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1000.

Groff's Hybrid Gladiolus.

This is a mixture and Hybrids, of all sorts. Gandavensis, Lemoinei, etc., giving in one bed the greatest range of colors and variations. 20c. per doz.; $1.50 per 100; $10.00 per 1000.

Floral Park Hybrid Gladiolus.

These are all hybrids between the finest of Gandavensis, Childsi and Lemoinei, and flowers will show characteristics of them all. There are a good many rich blue and purple shades, large flowers and strong growth like Childsi with the vivid tints and variations of Lemoinei. This is absolutely the finest mixture of Gladiolus ever offered. Every one is worthy of a name. 75c. per doz.; 30 for $1.50.

FOR CHOICE GLADIOLUS SEED. See page 33.

Gladiolus America.

The Grandest Variety in Cultivation.

Without any exception America is the most beautiful and useful Gladiolus yet introduced. It is evidently a cross between Childsi and Gandevensis and easily-grown, strong and healthy, with luxuriant dark-green foliage and a freedom of growth and flowering surpassing all others. Flower spikes two to three feet long, erect with a great number of large spreading blossoms, all facing one way and showing a color the delicacy and beauty of which it is impossible to describe. It is an exquisite soft lavender pink, very light, almost a tinted white, a color the same as seen in the most exquisite Cattleya Orchids. No color like it in any other Gladiolus; none half so beautiful. As a cut flower it is perfectly immense, lasting in water for a week or more, the great blossoms retaining full size and delicate coloring. It has taken the whole world by storm.

Price—Large bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 15 for $1.00; 50 for $3.00; 100 for $5.75.

Second Size, but all good blooming bulbs, 50c. per dozen; $4.00 per 100.

"Our Famous Ten"

A collection of Gladioli that will appeal to the most critical as being the very best varieties that can be obtained. Each one a gem of its particular color.

America—As described above.
Attraction—Deep, dark, rich crimson with a very conspicuous large pure white center and throat. At once a most beautiful and attractive sort.
Blanche—Large flower, pure snow-white, faintly marked.
Blue Jay—(Baron Hulot)—the finest blue Gladiolus yet seen. It is a rich deep color of indigo shade.
Cardinal—Perfect flower and spike, very large and the brightest, cleanest and most intense cardinal scarlet yet seen. Very rich and showy.
Irene—A fine shade of pink freely flaked bright crimson.
Salem—Fine salmon-pink, maroon blotches.
Scribe—A beautiful, large, well-open flower and an enormous spike. Color like the fine old Eugene Scribe, tinted white, freely striped carmine. A very attractive sort.
Sulphur King—Beautiful clean, sulphur yellow, finest and clearest of yellow sorts; without any doubt this is the very best yellow variety yet introduced.
Wild Rose—Very bright rose or blush tint, exceedingly delicate and pretty. In its particular color it stands alone.

One of each for $1.00.

New, Odd and Beautiful Gladiolus.

The following are all most superb varieties, which like "America" are hybrids of different classes, showing characteristics of Gandavensis, Childsi and Lemoinei.

Blue Jay—(Baron Hulot)—The finest blue Gladiolus yet seen. It is a rich deep color of an indigo shade. The only real **blue** Gladiolus on the market.....10
Glare—Compact spike of large size and perfect form. Intense scarlet, with a bright violet-blue throat.....20
Glory—Enormous flower, and perfect form, making an elegant spike. Salmon light shaded inside..... 20
Klondyke—Strong, vigorous plant, blooming early; flower round, well opened, of a clear primrose yellow, with blotch of vivid crimson-maroon on the lower petals....10
Fireflush—Deep brilliant salmon with a fiery tinge, and rich velvety maroon center. Very brilliant.....20
Jessie—Extra long spike of a fine velvety scarlet color. Extra showy and a great improvement over the old popular Brenchleyensis.....10
Morning Star—Absolutely the earliest of all Gladiolus. Snowy white with a large rich velvety crimson throat. Exceedingly striking and beautiful, and one that everybody goes wild over. It is certainly superb..... 20
Contrast—Flowers of great substance and a beautiful compact spike of perfect form. Color, intense scarlet with large, distinct, pure white center.....25
Mrs. Francis King—Light scarlet of a very pleasing shade. Flowers are large, well arranged on a strong spike, there being from four to six open at one time...10
Mephistopheles—Flowers of large size, dark red stained with black and yellow; very attractive.....20
Primulinus—(New Species)—Very rare species from Victoria Falls, South Africa; grows 3 to 4 feet tall and is very vigorous. The flowers are of good size and are a clear primrose-yellow. Genuine stock.....10
Primulinus Hybrids—(new)—Hybrids of the above, extremely vigorous and healthy growers, blooming in July and August. Grow 3 to 5 feet high, with long spikes of richly colored blooms, varying in color from yellow to crimson.....20

One each of above 12 new and odd sorts for $1.50.

1/3 NAT. SIZE
GLADIOLUS CHILDSI.
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Gladiolus Childsi.

Tall and erect, standing four and five feet high, with spikes of bloom over two feet in length. They branch freely, in most cases each stem producing three or four spikes and bloom much earlier than ordinary varieties. The flowers are of great size, frequently seven to nine inches across. The form of both flowers and spike is perfection itself, and they last in bloom a long time before fading, owing to their great substance and vigor, but the most remarkable feature is the coloring. Orchids cannot surpass them in their varied and delicate shades, markings and blendings. Every color known among Gladiolus is represented, and many never before seen, particularly blues, smoky grays and purple blacks, all having beautiful mottled throats, made up of white, crimson, pink, yellow, etc., and in this peculiar network of charming spots and colors lies one of its special points of unsurpassed beauty. They outrank all other Gladiolus in size of spike, size of bloom, vigor, varied and magnificent coloring and freedom of bloom.

Adolf Jaenicke — Extra large, beautiful blush pink with bright violet and purple mottled center. Very delicately and beautifully colored..... 20

Aline –A large wide open flower, pure white, slightly striped crimson or pink. Extra fine..... 20

Ben Hur—Large compact spike, enormous flower of a peculiar and almost indescribable color. Light salmon-rose, tinged, flaked and mottled and spotted. 20

Brilliant — Beautiful orange-red, with carmine and white throat. Superior to all other scarlets..... 5

Burlington—Bright pink, beautifully tinged with orange-scarlet. Carmine and white throat..... 5

Bowdoin—Very large flower, light orange-scarlet, with large, pure white throat. Very exquisite..... 5

Blanche — Large flowers, pure snow-white, with but faint marks..... 20

Boston—Flaming orange-scarlet, with white throat... 5

Capt. C. B. Tanner—Extra large and fine. Brilliant crimson and white freely mottled and intermixed.. 10

Columbia—Light orange-scarlet, freely blotched and penciled with bluish purple. Throat freely mottled. 5

Cardinal—Perfect flower and spike, very large and the brightest, clearest and most intense cardinal scarlet yet seen. Very rich and showy and by all odds the very finest high-colored sort yet seen..... 15

Compacta—Large flower, very compact. Wide spike. Rosy blush, slightly striped and mottled pink. Quite distinct and very handsome..... 15

Dr. Sellew—Large spike and very large flower, of great substance. Deep, rich rosy carmine, slightly penciled darker. Petals and throat rayed white. 5

Deborah — Dark red, tinged with amaranth. Large white throat and blotches, white band through petals..... 5

Duchess — Strong luxuriant grower with immense spikes two feet in length, color peculiar mottling of light and dark salmon-reds, with white spotted and mottled throat..... 20

Dawn—Elegant rose with large pure white center. Exceedingly beautiful..... 20

Eva—Beautiful rose shaded and marked with slate. Throat finely mottled with various colors..... 10

Expansion—Large widely expanded blossoms. White, pink and crimson freely mottled..... 10

Fantastic—Large flaming scarlet of a bright shade, freely penciled deep crimson..... 15

F. L. Oakley—Bright salmon tinged scarlet, with a pure white center. Very fine and showy variety... 10

Governor McCormack—Extra large flowers and truss. Beautiful rose, mottled with silvery gray and with violet and white mottled throat. Very fine, being of unusual beauty and oddity..... 5

Glowing Coal—Bright, deep fire scarlet, with a rich velvety maroon throat. Exceedingly rich and brilliant color..... 20

Gracilis –Slender, graceful spike with large flowers of a dull red color, margined and penciled slate blue.. 5

Harlequine—White and dark crimson freely suffused, striped and spotted..... 15

Geo. B. Remsen—Bright crimson and white freely intermixed..... 10

Helen—Blush white, striped crimson. Very pretty.... 20

Henry Gillman—Deep salmon-scarlet, with pure white bands; the throat showing peculiar mottling..... 5

I. S. Hendrickson—A beautiful and irregular mottling of white and bright deep pink; in some the pink, and in others the white, predominating. Flowers and spike very large and fine..... 15

Irene—Fine large flower and stalk. Color a fine shade of pink freely flaked bright crimson..... 5

Jay –Compact spike; large open flower of great substance. Bright crimson-pink, flamed darker..... 20

Kate—Blush white, with crimson blotched throat..... 5

Keokuk—Deep, bright pink, clouded, tinted and spotted slate-blue..... 10

Kearney — Very bright, deep dark rose with white throat. A conspicuous and attractive flower..... 20

Lavender Queen—Beautiful blending of lavender and lilac. Entirely new colors, very distinct..... 20

Lael—Soft pink, with bright carmine throat, shaded orange and having a peculiar metallic lustre..... 10

Little Blush—Dwarf habit, compact spike of blush white..... 5

Little Violet—Compact spike of a pleasing lilac..... 5

Livonia—Light red, with white mottled throat..... 5

Lizzie—White, tinted blush; violet crimson throat.... 10

Lowell—Fine pink and carmine, beautifully striped like Eugene Scribe. Good substance..... 20

Leonard Joerg — A compact spike of finely shaped flowers, rich crimson and white mottled, with a yellow throat..... 20

Los Angeles—Pure white, freely marked, penciled and blotched with bright rosy-crimson. An exceedingly fine color and large flower..... 15

Lydia—A fantastic mottling of pinkish white and deep rich crimson, in some flowers the white predominating and in others the crimson, no two spikes being exactly alike..... 10

Melrose—White flaked pink, bright crimson centre. Very large and fine..... 15

Marion—Pure white with slight rose tinge and a distinctly yellow shaded throat with crimson bars..... 20

Middleboro—Salmon-pink, freely flaked and penciled with deep rose, and carmine mottled throat..... 10

Mohonk—A strong, rank grower, flowers of large size, and great substance. Deep dark pink with spotted throat, shaded orange and flaked with maroon..... 10

Mrs. Beecher—Beautiful deep rosy crimson. Large, well-opened flower, with pure white throat freely marked and spotted..... 10

Mrs. R. A. Goldsmith—Large flower, fine spike. Soft delicate rose, shaded lighter. Pure white throat... 15

Mrs. W. N. Bird—Beautiful lilac rose, crimson-white mottling in throat, and carmine marks. Extra fine. 10

Mayor—Fine large compact spike; rich purple rose.. 10

Monster—Enormous sized blossoms, one of the very largest. Pink, mottled salmon, with blue tinge.... 20

Nakomis—Soft pink, blotched and shaded with orange-white and crimson throat. Enormous spikes..... 10

Nezinscott — Bright blood scarlet, with deep velvety crimson-black blotches and white mottlings..... 10

Norma Dee Childs—Extra large flower and spike. Color delicate white, softly penciled with rose and with large sulphur yellow throat. Perfectly exquisite and distinct..... 20

Newark—Orange-red, with mottled throat..... 10

Oddity—Deep amaranth red, deeply suffused with purple-blue. Large distinct white marks and red and white mottled throat..... 5

Old Oxford—Slaty crimson heavily clouded with blue. Large crimson and white mottled..... 15

Oriole—Lovely mottling of pink and gray, with beautiful yellow banded throat. Exquisite spike..... 10

Portland—Rosy-red, penciled darker, mottled throat. 10

Princeps—Rich crimson with very deep shadings in the throat and blotches on lower petals..... 20

Prescott—Lovely flower, almost white, pink tinge and large bright purple throat. Exceedingly showy.... 20

Rosedale—Lilac-rose, tinted slate-blue..... 10

Roseann—Very tall imposing spike. Bright rosy crimson. White mottled throat..... 20

Sunlight — Light crimson, with large canary-yellow throat. Mottled velvety maroon. Very striking color. 5

Spot—White freely spotted and mottled rose..... 10

Salmon—Color salmon pink..... 20

Scribe—A beautiful, large, well-opened flower and an enormous spike. Color like the fine old Eugene Scribe, tinted white, freely striped carmine..... 15

Saratoga—Large, flaming orange-scarlet..... 5

Salem—Fine salmon-pink, maroon blotches..... 5

Sentry—Blush-pink, spotted crimson. Dwarf..... 10

Siboney—Slaty-gray, marked and mottled darker..... 5

Splendor—A splendid large flower, of the softest, sweetest rose color. Large magenta strain..... 5

Superb—Enormous flower and spike, one of the very largest; pink, flaked and striped with salmon pink. 5

St. Louis—Very large flower of a splendid rose color.. 10

Variabilis—Enormous size and vigor, standing nearly seven feet high with the largest spikes ever seen on any Gladiolus. The flowers range in color from dull deep pink, flaked, with blue-black, to a solid blue-black color of smoky hue, flaked with pink..... 10

Waukesha—Salmon-pink, shaded lighter inside; large beautiful primrose throat, thickly mottled crimson. 5

Wm. Falconer—Spike of great length and flowers of enormous size. Beautiful clear light pink..... 5

Wyandanch—Very light red, white throat..... 10

Wild Rose—Very bright rose or blush tint, exceedingly delicate and pretty..... 20

SPECIAL OFFER.

Of the above varieties, quoted at **5cts.** each we will send any 5 of them for 20c., or 15 for 50c. or the whole 24 five cent sorts for 80c.

Of the 10 cent varieties, any 3 for 20c.; 8 for 50c.; or the 25 ten cent varieties for $1.50.

Of the 15c. sorts, any 4 for 50c.; or the 10 for $1.25.

Of the 20c. sorts, any 3 for 50c.; any 7 for $1.00.; or the 21 twenty cent sorts for $3.00.

One bulb each of the 80 named sorts $6.25.

MIXED G. CHILDSI—All sorts; 1st. size, 35c. per dozen; $2.50 per 100.

GLADIOLI

GANDAVENSIS NAMED SORTS.

5-CENT CLASS.

Price of the following 15 sorts, 5c. each; 6 for 25c.; or 40c. per dozen. One each of the 15 sorts for 60c.

Ajax—Beautiful striped variety.
Brenchleyensis—Vermilion-scarlet; fine old variety.
Ceres—Pure white, spotted with purplish rose.
Doctor Hogg—Mauve, suffused rose; center white.
Emma Thursby—White; striped and blotched.
Gen. Phil Sheridan—Fiery red, large, white blotch.
Lamarck—Cherry, slightly tinted with orange-red.
Le Poussin—Light red, white blotch.
Madame Monneret—Delicate rose.
May—A lovely pure white finely flaked rosy crimson.
Mrs. E. H. Krelage—Fiery red; white blotch.
Octoroon—A beautiful salmon-pink; very distinct.
Prolific Pink—Deep pink with crimson base.
Reine Blanche—Pure white, dark carmine blotch.
Sylphide—Pure white, flamed carmine.

10-CENT CLASS.

Price of these 33 sorts, 10c. each; any 3 for 20c.; or 75c. per dozen. One each of the 33 sorts for $2.25.

Augusta—Lovely pure white, with blue anthers. A splendid sort.
Chrysolora—Golden yellow, pure and distinct.
Carnation—Fleshy-white, profusely tinged at the edges with the richest carmine.
Cleopatra—Soft lilac.
Canary Bird—Finest yellow.
Chamont—Lilac shaded with purple.
Conquete—Large and fine flower of bright cherry-red, with a conspicuous pure white, upper petals striped with delicate rose.
Corsaire—Compact spike, large flowers of a very intense dark and velvety scarlet, tinted brown.
Countess Craven—Rose, flaked carmine.
Eugene Scribe—Perfectly tender rose, blazed carmine-red.
Edna—White and pink, freely striped, mottled and blotched.
Gen. Sherman—Extra fine large scarlet.
Glory of Brightwood—Scarlet, with lemon throat.
Isaac Buchanan—Extra fine yellow.
Latone—Tall and very compact spike; fine flowers of a delicate rose with creamy white blotch.
Lacross—Fine spike; orange scarlet, flaked maroon.
Lemon Drop—Light lemon with bright yellow throat.
Marie Berger—Rosy lilac, blotched and striped with red shaded into yellowish rose towards the center.
Mahdi—Large, deep, reddish-black.
Madame Leseble—Pure white, large rose blotch.
Maseppa—Fine orange. Good perfect flower.
Mr. Bains—A distinct color, a clear, light red; self color.
Pactole—Beautiful yellow, slightly tinged with rose.
Pepita—Bright golden yellow flowers, slightly striped.
Phebus—Brilliant red; large pure white blotch.
Reverend Berkerley—Light rose and tinged violet-carmine, feathered white blotch.
Richard Cœur de Lion—Fine spike of large flowers of a bright crimson-red color flamed and edged with garnet; lower petals spotted and blotched yellow.
Robert Fortune—Orange-lake, shading off to purple-crimson; veined white.
Salmonia—Good spike of flowers which are composed of various shades of salmon yellow.
Shakespeare—White, very slightly suffused with carmine-rose; large rosy blotch.
Thalia—White, flamed and streaked with carmine.
Sunshine—Tall spike with 20 or more flowers. Fine yellow.
Sulphur King—Beautiful clean, sulphur yellow.

10 Fine Gladiolus for 30cts.

These are all very fine and embrace Gandavensis, Childsi and Lemoinei.

Brilliant—Beautiful orange-red and white throat.
Corsaire—Compact spike, large flowers of a very intense dark and velvety scarlet, brownish tinge.
Eugene Scribe—Very large and wide; tender rose, blazed carmine red.
Geo. B. Remsen—Bright crimson and white freely intermixed.
Glory of Brightwood—Scarlet; with lemon throat.
Isaac Buchanan—Very fine yellow.
Klondyke—Light yellow, crimson maroon blotch.
Kate—Blush white, with crimson blotched throat.
Little Blush—Dwarf habit, compact spike of a blush white.
Sunlight—Light crimson with canary-yellow throat. Mottled velvety maroon.

Gladiolus Lemoinei.

The odd and fantastic markings of these Gladiolus, and their beautiful shape, resemble the facinating beauty of the Orchid. Yellow, crimson, white, brown, green, pink, etc., are blended together producing an effect seen in no other flower. They are of recent introduction, therefore new and quite unknown. It is useless to attempt to describe their regal beauty, for it cannot be done. They must be seen. Besides their gay colors and odd markings, they have two very important points of superiority over other sorts. First, they bloom two or three weeks earlier and are in full perfection before others appear; and secondly they are hardy and may be left in the ground over winter, from year to year, without lifting in autumn; yet we do not advise this plan, as we think it better to lift them in the fall and store them in the cellar, that they may be planted out in fresh, mellow soil in spring. They do well either way.

Andre Chenier—Pink, spotted black and yellow.
Admiral Pierre—Dark carmine-red, clouded maroon.
Atlas—Clear violet, large velvety maroon blotch.
Beaurepain—Extra large rose, tinted violet and maroon.
Chas. Martel—Rosy blush, intense large carmine blotch.
Etendard—Light brick-red, with large canary blotches.
F. Bergman—Large orange-pink, with carmine stains.
Incendiary—Fiery red, large blotch of crimson-red.
Ketelar—Salmon scarlet with lemon and crimson.
Lamarck—Salmon, crimson and yellow spots.
Lafayette—Very large, yellowish salmon, crimson blotch.
Marie Lemoine—Pale creamy color, purplish red blotch.
Masque de Fer—Crimson-black, blotched.
Pactole—Creamy-yellow, blotched carmine.
Vashti—Creamy-white, blotched carmine.

Price of above 5c. each; any 6 for 25c.; the 15 sorts for 60c.

Fine Mixed Lemoinei.

A splendid mixture of named sorts comprising more than 50 kinds. All splendid flowering bulbs that will make a great show. 20c. per doz.; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1000.

The Easter Gladiolus.

This variety is so early flowering, that it is a most valuable and beautiful flower for Easter. Pot bulbs in winter and three may be planted in a 5-inch pot. They will soon be up and growing and about Easter will show magnificent spikes of bloom. Color pure white with lemon tinge, and a large bright crimson center. Wonderfully showy and easily grown. For the garden they are also superb and bloom earlier than any other kind. **Large bulbs 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c.; 15 for $1.00.**

New Amaryllis.

The Amaryllis is the acknowledged Queen of all tuberous flowers—and Burbank's Giants are marvels in size and beauty.

Burbank's Giant—This new race of Amaryllis produces a bulb of enormous size and strength which throws up broad, healthy foliage, and stout flower scapes, each producing blossoms of truly gigantic size. The flowers are often a foot or more across, larger than the Auratum Lily, and with colors which for purity and intensity are truly marvels. Mr. Burbank has spent many years in hybridizing and perfecting this strain, during which time they have been seen by horticultural experts from all over the world, and their great superiority over all other Amaryllis acknowledged. Large bulbs $1.00 each: 3 for $2.50.

Vittata Profusion—In growing the thousands of hybrid seedlings to produce his new giant race of Amaryllis Mr. Burbank produced also a superior type of Vittata Hybrids, large flowers, fine colors and profuse flowering. Many of them bloom several times a year and are a long way ahead of the old Vittata type. We call the strain "Profusion" and offer large flowering bulbs at the very low price of 40c. each; 3 for $1.00; 7 for $2.00.

Johnsonii—A grand old sort, always popular. Flowers large and very beautiful, deep red, striped white. 30c. each.

Regina—Bulb large and strong, ready to commence growth as soon as potted, and will soon bloom. Flowers very large, wide open or spreading shape. Color, soft light scarlet, with white center or throat. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.

Belladonna—The bulbs are hardy in the South, also in the North with slight protection. Foliage begins to grow in fall or very early in the spring and the flowers appear late in the summer after the leaves have died down. The flower stalk grows up very quickly and is soon crowned with an immense cluster of sweet and delicate yet large lily-like flowers. Color light pink or blush. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Amaryllis Hallii.

Hardy Amaryllis—Lycoris Squamigera.

For 20 years we have had growing in one of the hardy borders of our lawn a beautiful Amaryllis which sends up tall flower scapes each year crowned with a cluster of large blossoms. It increased slowly until we had nearly 100 good bulbs of it. Lately we have found a source of supply in Japan and have imported a large quantity. Foliage grows in early spring and dies down, the flowers following in August. Color beautiful lavender-tinted pink, fragrant and exceedingly beautiful. Perfectly hardy anywhere without protection. A most magnificent thing. Fine bulbs, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Crinums.

Stately plants with bulbs of enormous size and strength which produce large blossoms in immense clusters with most delicate colors and superb fragrance. Fine for pots or the garden in summer.

Ornatum—Very rare and supremely beautiful. Flowers of immense size, almost as large as an Auratum Lily. Color, pure white, with a deep band of brightest, richest crimson through center of each petal. Orchids only can equal this flower in supreme beauty and contrast of coloring. Flowers very fragrant and borne in great clusters. Strong bulbs, 75c. each.

Moorei—Flowers borne in fine, large clusters, and are exceedingly beautiful and fragrant. Color a most delicate yet bright and beautiful pink. It possesses a degree of loveliness which cannot be described. Fine bulbs, 75c. each.

Kirki—This produces a large, round bulb, which grows to weigh as much as ten pounds. It is of the easiest culture, and sure to succeed with everyone. Its flowers are large, and like a most beautiful Lily, borne in immense clusters at the top of the stout scapes. Color, soft, delicate blush, with a scarlet bar through the center of each petal, and very sweet scented. 30c. each.

Amaryllis Formosissima.

There is hardly a flower which has such deep, rich velvety crimson color, a color so intensely brilliant as this. It is a free bloomer and succeeds well either in pots or in the open ground, and blooms very soon after planting. Few flowers can equal it in richness and beauty of color, and it blooms profusely every year. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 90c.

Anemones-(*For Planting Spring or Fall.*)

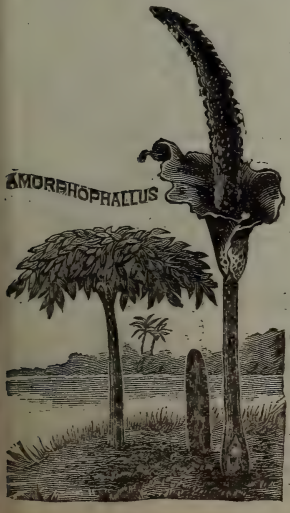
Anemones succeed well when planted in the fall or very early in spring, in some partly shaded situation. They will soon be up and blooming and if not allowed to suffer too much from dry weather will make a most excellent show. They possess a beautiful range of very fine colors, such as brilliant scarlet, red, blue, rose, striped, carnation, etc. For pot culture they are very fine indeed. Few bulbs are more satisfactory, the large showy blossoms being so very attractive.

Double Mixed—All colors. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.
Single Mixed—All colors. 3 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.
Double St. Bridge—A splendid new strain. Fine large double flowers of various colors. Mixed, 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c. Seed 10c. per pkt. This sort grows and flowers very quickly from seed.

Rare Arums.

Grand and highly interesting bulbs of easy growth and gigantic flowers.

Simlense—A rare and curious garden bulb, with odd flowers and luxuriant Palm-like foliage. The spathe of its Calla-shaped flowers is two feet in length, with tapering points and is of very large size. Color of blooom, greenish chocolate on outside, inside, yellow, spotted with purple. Foliage very large, luxuriant like a Palm.



Rivieri—A large and easily grown bulb which has very ornamental foliage and a coal black flower which is of enormous size, generally not less than two feet in length. It is a great oddity and attracts every observer. The flower usually appears soon after the bulb is potted, and before the foliage starts.

Guttatum—Luxuriant grower like Simlense, with enormous blossoms of a beautiful pink shade, finely spotted. Called "Monarch of the East."

Fine bulbs 25c. each; the 3 for 60c.

COOPERIA DRUMMONDI.

Cooperia Drummondi.

This bulb belongs to the Amaryllis family, and can either be grown in pots or the open ground. The beautiful Lily-like flowers are borne on stems 10 to 15 inches high, and are profusely borne. Its flowers spring up as by magic repeatedly through the season. Color, pure white. Bulbs, large and strong. 5c. each; 6 for 25c.

Chlidanthus Fragrans.

The blooming of this new bulb with us last season was a revelation of beauty. It is much like an Amaryllis, with a strong bulb, which starts growth and blooms as soon a potted. The flowers are borne in clusters of 4 to 6 and are in color the brightest golden yellow, and such fragrance! Strong and delicious without being in any way rank or offensive as is the case with many highly scented flowers. Two or three spikes of these exquisite large yellow blossoms are produced at each blooming period. Pot the bulbs at any time winter or spring and they will soon be in bloom. A truly magnificent thing. Strong bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 85c.

New Bulbous Callas.

A few years ago we had only one so called Bulbous Calla (common Spotted). Now there are several, and they are truly marvels of beauty. Do not confound these superb sorts with worthless Arums, which have been extensively sold as red, pink, green, and yellow Callas. These now offered are all genuine Callas, with large, magnificent blossoms, and will grow and bloom freely in pots like the common white Calla. They are all fine for garden culture also, treated like a summer flowering bulb, but we think they are better when grown in pots. Note our low prices for these grandest of all Callas.

Rhemanni (*Pink*)—This magnificent new Calla has a large flower of a rich, deep shade of pink that is perfectly exquisite. A strong, easy grower, and a free bloomer. It is still a sensational floral novelty in Europe, and one of the grandest flowering plants we have ever seen. Having grown an enormous stock, we can offer it at a very low price. Do not miss it. Fine flowering bulbs. 20c. each: 6 for $1.00.

Elliottiana (*Giant Yellow*)—This is the great new Yellow Calla of marvelous beauty. Flowers very large and of the brightest golden yellow. Leaves beautifully spotted with white. Sold recently at $5.00. each. Its great size of bloom, brilliant yellow color, and glorious large spotted leaves, make this a plant of unusual beauty and novelty. Strong flowering bulbs. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Mrs. Roosevelt—Flowers, light clear yellow, produced very freely on long stems. Foliage, deep rich green, distinctly and freely blotched with white, making a very showy plant. It does particularly well planted outside, grows strong and flowers freely. 25c. each.

Aurata (*Lemon Calla*)—New and fine, the flowers being a beautiful light yellow, with jet black center, therefore very conspicuous and showy. Its foliage is large and handsome, deep green, freely spotted white. Makes a most superb pot plant. 25c. each.

Pentlandi—The newest of the Yellow Callas, the darkest and richest in color of them all. Its flowers are large and widely open and in all respects a glorious thing. Sells in Europe at $10 each and is very scarce. We have only a few hundred bulbs, but they are large flowering size. $1.00 each.

Spotted Calla—The leaves of this beautiful Calla are deep green, with spots, which give the plants a magnificent appearance. The flowers are pure white with black center. Fine for open ground culture. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

One fine bulb each of the 6 sorts for $2.00.

Callas From Seed.

It is an easy matter to grow Callas from seed and we can offer seed of the best sorts as follows: All bloom second year.

	Per pkt.
Rhemanni—Pink	20
Elliottiana—Yellow	20
Ethiopica, Praecox—New dwarf	10
" **Childsiana**—Finest white	10
" **Gigantea**—Largest of all	15

Fancy Caladiums.

Their beautifully shaped and glossy foliage is elegantly variegated in the most telling manner. One, perhaps, is regularly dotted with round raised spots of white, another ribbed and veined with pink or scarlet, or yellow, while still another is flashed and marbled with white or marked with delicate and vivid colors as to mark them as showy as great and peculiar flowers. The small early leaves do not always show all the fine colors of the large ones which come later.

Aymore—Leaf large, white transparent center. Ribs pink. Green zone covered with irregular purple splashes.

Baron de Mammore—Large leaf, ground color white heavily interlined with light green, crimson and pink stripes. Center dark crimson. Ribs scarlet. One of the best.

Candidum—Large, heart-shaped leaf, color satin white with green spots, and dark green ribs. One of the best.

Princess Alexander—Ground color of leaf delicate pink, the mid-rib and veins being dark olive-green.

D. C. de Meruda—Lovely leaf, white tinted yellow and green, spotted crimson.

Curupa—Light green with large carmine center; white ribs.

Bebevibe—Large green interspersed with white spots. Center beautiful soft, transparent pink. Ribs deep pink.

Don Pedro—Large, yellowish green leaf with white center and pink ribs, the whole surface heavily splashed rose.

Bendigo—A most beautiful leaf of large size. Color a soft pink with dark green splashes. Ribs dark green.

Itapoca—Very large leaf of dark crimson color, over which is spread a metallic lustre. A narrow border of green.

Truce—Large leaf almost pure white, red splash at heel.

Lydia Oakley—White tinted yellow, heavily ribbed red.

Ivory—Very large, ivory white.

Adolf Jaenicke—Ivory white, with purplish pink mottlings.

White Flag—Immense leaf, pure white with transparent blue-tinted blotch.

Torch Light—Fine light red bordered with bottle green, veined with deep crimson.

Elaborate—Bright red, veined crimson. Large, wide mottled border of yellow tinted white. Extra fine.

Fascination—Pink, freely veined with deep crimson, dark-green mottled edge. Perfectly grand.

Exquisite—Blush white, tinted pink. Reverse green, heavily ribbed dark crimson.

Emerald—Green, heavily blotched and ribbed crimson.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; the 20 for $3.00.

5 Elegant New Caladiums.

Robin—Dull red with a greenish tinge, and a net-work of lively green.

Tanager—Beautiful net-work of green and white, deep blood crimson ribs and central flush.

Snow Storm—Immense leaves, almost pure white with mottlings of light green. Makes a superb specimen.

Glowing Coal—Leaf a solid bright carmine color of rich and striking beauty.

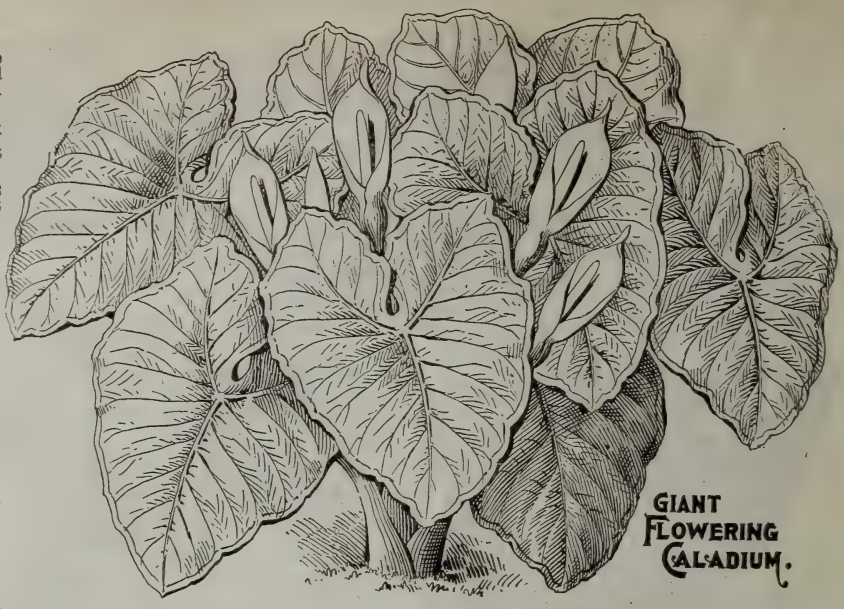
Sea Shell—Beautiful green leaf with delicate pink center.

30c. each; the 5 for $1.25.

Mixed Sorts—*All fine. 3 for 40c.; 6 for 75c.*

Caladiums.

These garden Caladiums are among the most ornamental and effective plants for lawn and bedding that can possibly be had. All free, rapid and easy growers, making a truly tropical effect in a very short time.



GIANT FLOWERING CALADIUM.

Giant Flowering—Leaves 2 to 5 feet long, 2 to 2½ feet broad; perfectly immense, bright, glossy green with metallic lustre, and make a plant which for tropical luxuriance has no equal. Added to this wonderful foliage effect are the mammoth lily-like blossoms; snow-white changing to cream, with a rich and exquisite fragrance so powerful as to perfume a whole garden. As many as 6 to 12 flowers rise successively from the base of each leaf-stalk, and are borne on stems eighteen inches high. One flower is sufficient to perfume a large room with a most delicious aroma. They need lots of heat, so plant in full sun. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00; 10 for $2.00.

Red Branched—This is much like the Giant Flowering in all respects, except the stems of all the leaves are a rich purple-red color, and the leaves dark purplish-green and exceedingly handsome. In size of the leaf and stately habit it is the finest of all Caladiums, while its rich color makes it a most beautiful and conspicuous foliage plant. It makes a solid bulb, like Esculentum, that is easily wintered in a dry state, like a Gladiolus. For ornamental bedding, or for single specimens, it is truly grand, and we cannot say enough in its praise. Dry bulbs, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00; 10 for $2.00.

Esculentum—A grand, sub-tropical plant, growing four feet high, and bearing immense, shield-shaped leaves of the smoothest, richest green. Extra fine for groups or single specimens upon the lawn, or as borders to tropical beds, or to plant at the margins of ornamental pools, etc. Give plenty of water. 15c. each; $1.50 per dozen.

New Cannas.

The following are the *very best* of all recent New Cannas. We have grown them all for two seasons and can say that they are simply *grand*.

Compte De Bouchard—Nicely formed, beautiful golden yellow flowers, spotted red.

Ch. Drevet—A very distinct Poinsettia red, growth medium as to height and very compact. Foliage light green.

E. Steinkoff—A giant flowered variety of great merit, in fact the largest flower we have ever seen in the Crozy class. Color rich crimson scarlet, heavily spotted with vermillion. In full sun the flowers appear to be burnished. Petals of enormous breadth and length. Foliage purplish bronze. Extra.

Express—A new bedding Canna of great merit. Color, scarlet crimson; the clusters are large and compact; foliage green. Dwarf habit. 2 to 2½ feet.

Frau Marie Nagel—The nearest approach to white yet attained in the Cannas. Flowers of good size, trusses large and branching. At a distance this variety appears white and for all practical purposes in color effect it can be so used. Foliage green. Habit dwarf.

Professor Hanfstangle—Blooms of exceptional size borne in very large and branching trusses; petals almost as broad as long. Color a unique shade of deep rose which shades to a lighter color at the base of the flowers.

Stadtgartner Brenneman—One of the most striking varieties in the set. Enormous four petaled blooms. Trusses very large and much branched. Color a superb shade of deep orange bordering on light scarlet.

William Bofinger—For producing a sheet of color it would be difficult to find anything superior to this variety. The blooms are only of medium size, but the trusses are immense and have a feature of cleaning themselves nicely; when the blooms fade they fall to the ground leaving the trusses clean and bright. Color scarlet with an orange sheen.

Price, 25c. each; the 8 for $1.75.

TYPE OF GIANT OR ITALIAN CANNAS.

Finest Dwarf Cannas.

These are now the most popular and most magnificent of all summer blooming plants for brilliant bedding and massing, and are among the very finest of all pot plants, either for summer or winter blooming. The following named sorts are the very best of the new and better known large flowering Dwarf varieties. We have selected these varieties after careful tests of hundreds of sorts, and our customers can rely upon them as being the most magnificent and desirable in every respect, combining large flowers of great brilliancy with beautiful foliage, free blooming and easy growing qualities.

R. Wallace—A grand new Canna, by far the largest and finest pure yellow yet grown. Flowers enormous and color fine. 4 feet.

Florence Vaughan—The queen of the fancy spotted varieties. Flowers of enormous size, petals exceedingly broad and of perfect shape. Color, bright canary-yellow thickly spotted with vivid scarlet. 4 feet.

Clara Barton—Plant very dwarf and compact, about two feet high, with luxuriant, wide, Musa-like leaves, and gigantic spikes of bloom, which rise just to the top of the foliage. Flowers very large, wide-petaled and perfect in shape; and of the most beautiful clear bright pink color.

Black Prince—Dark velvety maroon, 5 to 6 inches across. Leaves deep green edged purple.

Red Cross—A splendid sort, 3 feet high, with most beautiful rich purple-black foliage. In this respect it is a grand ornamental plant. Added to this it produces great flaming scarlet clusters of immense perfect blossoms. One of the largest, brightest and richest colored Cannas.

St. John—Immense drooping panicles of rich deep crimson flowers. Each petal slightly bordered with gold.

David Harum—Deep bronze foliage, free bloomer. Bright vermillion scarlet, dotted crimson. Elegant round petals.

Ponce de Leon—Compact grower, 3 feet, with large clusters of very bright salmon color.

New York—Lovely dark bronze foliage, with flowers of great size and solid rich scarlet.

Gladiator—Immense blossoms, light yellow spotted and variegated red. Very showy and strong grower. 5 feet.

Crimson Bedder—Fine crimson; superb bedder.

Little Gem—This is the dwarfest Canna that has yet been introduced. Color, bright orange-scarlet. Plant grows only about eight to twelve inches high, but the panicles of bloom are large and fine. It is, therefore, a perfect beauty as a pot plant.

Price, very strong roots, sure to grow, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; 1 each of the 12 sorts for $1.60.

Giant or Italian Cannas.

These are tall, luxuriant growers, with magnificent foliage and large clusters of gigantic blossoms the size of fine Lilies, or Gladiolus. Colors truly gorgeous.

Allemania—Enormous flower, 6 inches across, petals 2½ inches wide. Bright yellow and orange-crimson, beautifully spotted and variegated.

Chautauqua—Intense scarlet blossoms of great size, and dark colored foliage.

Pacific Beauty—Very heavy, black foliage, often finely striped and variegated. Flowers orange-crimson, much the color and size of Mrs. Kate Gray. A truly magnificent sort, and one that will be the center of attraction.

King Humbert—Has flowers as large as the largest of the orchid flowering Cannas. Bright orange scarlet streaked with crimson. Foliage is bronze with brownish green stripes, large, thick and leathery. A strong grower.

Burbank—Enormous flowers, beautiful canary-yellow. Both in foliage and flower it is grand. 5 feet.

Italia—Flowers very large, each petal 4 to 5 inches, and most beautifully colored. Brightest scarlet, with a broad yellow border, irregularly blotched and spotted. 5 feet.

Uncle Sam—A glorious, deep, rich, fiery-red of marvelous beauty.

Venus—Gray rosy pink with a creamy yellow mottled border. Large elegant and superb in every way. 6 feet.

Indiana—Glistening golden orange, daintily marked and striped red. Blooms 7 inches across. Extra fine. 6 feet.

Wm. Bofinger—Brightest and richest scarlet. Immensely showy. 5 feet.

Price, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; or $1.50 per dozen; the 10 named sorts for $1.40.

Mixed Cannas—For Large Show Beds.

A mixture of the finest dwarf large flowering kinds which will go well together, and make a most magnificent bed or border of bright colors. We can thoroughly recommend this mixture, for we know that it will give the greatest results. Strong roots, $1.00 per dozen; $6.00 per 100; by mail or express prepaid.

Banana-Leaved Cannas.

These are among the grandest of all out-door foliage plants.

Musafolia—This is the finest foliage Canna yet seen, with enormous Musa-like leaves, 3x5 feet, of a dark green, bronze-tinted color, the edge of the leaves being beautifully banded with bronze-purple. In size and beauty of foliage it is a revelation, and makes a clump or single specimen plant for the lawn which no other foliage plant can approach. Attains a height of eight feet, beautiful and symmetrical at every stage of growth.

Black Musafolia—Just like the above except color of foliage which is a deep maroon, almost black.

Strong roots 20c. each; the 2 for 30c.; 6 for 75c.; 15 for $1.00; $7.00 per 100.

5 Superb Show Dahlias.

These Dahlias, of recent introduction, are, in our estimation, the finest in cultivation, of the show class.

Floral Park Jewel—Flowers of many colors, from deep maroon to blush white, including beautifully spotted and variegated forms, are borne in great profusion on the same plant at the same time.

Mrs. Roosevelt—Enormous double blossoms, very delicate lilac pink or blush, exact color of Gladiolus America.

Mary D. Hallock—Large double and extra fine in every respect. Bright yellow.

Pure White—A strong vigorous grower, and extra free bloomer. Large double snow-white.

Nymphæa—Like a lovely pink Water Lily. Extremely beautiful and novel. It is a great and persistent bloomer all through the season, and its charming Water-Lily-like blossoms are grand.

50c. each; the 5 for $1.25.

New Imperial Cactus Dahlias.

The Finest Decorative Flower for Summer and Fall.

These are not the ordinary form of Cactus Dahlias, but a new strain, with blossoms of enormous size, perfectly formed and double to the center. Some have wide, flat petals, others have petals quilled at the ends and flat in the middle. Many of them remind one of magnificent Japanese Chrysanthemums. In color they represent a varied brilliancy and richness not before seen in Dahlias; intense scarlet, delicate pinks, snow-whites, and tinted forms, straw color, lemon and orange-yellow, dark maroons almost black, with a velvety texture that is certainly wonderful; striped, blotched and variegated; in fact all colors and combinations. These wonderful new Dahlias grow very easily from seed or cuttings, and flower in a remarkably short time, and make beautiful pot or garden plants. As cut flowers for vases or any sort of decoration these Dahlias are positively the finest things in cultivation. Without seeing them no one can realize how graceful and beautiful they are as a cut flower.

Anna Liese—Bright royal purple with blue cast. Elegant.

Countess of Londsdale—Extra large, double and fine. Peculiar shade of salmon-red.

Du Fer—Exquisite pink. Like a Japanese Chrysanthemum.

Green's White—Extra large and double. White.

Paul Kruger—Single wide rich maroon petals, with an inner row of white ones. Perfectly fine.

Progenitor—Intense scarlet, deep and velvety.

Sylvia—Beautiful lavender.

Serpentina—Deep violet rose.

Sunray—Exquisite lemon-yellow.

Transvaal—Rich dark velvety maroon.

Thuringia—Bright salmon.

Victor Scheffel—Bright pink.

Holastia—Bright salmon scarlet.

Uncle Tom—Black with quilled petals. Very showy.

Frau H. Max—Blush and white, very double.

Friend Hessderfer—Fine old gold color. Very double.

Volker—Sulphur yellow.

Libella—Rich plum purple. Extra showy.

Fine tubers, 50c. each; 4 for $1.00; 12 for $2.75; the 18 for $4.00.

Mixed Bulbs—A fine lot of mixed bulbs, embracing all the finest sorts and colors. 5 for $1.00; 12 for $2.00.

Seed—We offer finest strain mixed seed at 20c. per pkt.

Tuberous-Rooted Begonias.

The fashionable plant of the day, and richly does it deserve its honor, for in addition to very handsome foliage it bears a never ending profusion of the most ravishingly beautiful flowers the whole summer, and then, with the coming of cold weather, very obligingly takes a nap until spring, asking no further care through the winter than to be packed in soil away from frost. This trait will be appreciated by the many people who have no spare windows to carry over tender bedding plants yet dislike to be at the expense of buying a new lot each spring. This great plant is a rival to the Gloxinia as a summer window or conservatory plant, and as strong a rival to the Geranium and Verbena as an outdoor bedding plant. The enormous size and intense brilliancy of the flowers astonish those who have never seen any but the ordinary house Begonia. The bulbs can be started from March to June and will soon be in full bloom. Give partial shade out of doors, and protect from severe winds if possible. Our strain of both double and single is a very superior one, many of the flowers measuring 4 to 5 inches across.

Fine Mixed—A splendid strain of the single type, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.

Cristata Mixed—New crested and bordered strain of great beauty. We have it in many different colors. All colors mixed. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.75.

Giant Crispa—Enormous blossoms, with elegant fringed edges. One of the grandest yet seen and an entirely new departure. 20 colors mixed. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.75.

Giant Crispa, White—Pure snow white.
" " **Scarlet**—Intense and brilliant.
" " **Yellow**—Fine golden shades.
" " **Crimson Black**—Very dark, rich and velvety.

Above 4 sorts 25c. each; the 4 for 85c.

Double Tuberous Begonias.

Our strain of these is grand. All new types, finest colors, largest and most perfect blossoms. Double Tuberous Begonias are perfectly exquisite.

Fine Mixed—A fine strain. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 80c.

Giant Fimbriated—Our new strain of gigantic double blossoms, all finely frilled and fimbriated. 20 grand colors mixed. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Choicest Begonia Seed.

With good care seedlings bloom in from five to eight months' time. Our seed is extra fine, hand hybridized and saved only from the most magnificent flowers. Per pkt.

Tuberous-Rooted Childs' Giant Flowered Single Mixed .15
" " " " **Dbl. Fimbriated** " 20

Gloxinia Seed.

Gloxinias grow well from seed, and, if given good care, will bloom in five months from the time of sowing of seed, giving large and beautiful blossoms. Our seed is extra choice, and the fine bulbs we offer are all grown from seed.

Fine Mixed—From a good collection. Pkt., 10c.

Childs' Giant Mixed—The largest and finest of all strains of Gloxinias. Blooms in a short time from seed. Pkt., 20c.

Childs' Giant Gloxinias.

The grandest of all summer-blooming bulbs for decoration of the window, veranda or conservatory in summer. Everyone is spellbound at their regal beauty. They are no trouble at all to grow, and bloom constantly until autumn, when they should be allowed to die down, and the pots kept dry in some warm place until next spring, when the bulbs can be started into growth again. Our new Gloxinias are great improvements over the other sorts, with large, luxuriant leaves that recurve in such a manner as to conceal the pot they grow in, and erect, large-throated, wide-lobed flowers borne above the foliage like a floral crown. These flowers are very large and satin-like and of the most exquisite coloring, soft, clear or brilliant, sometimes self-colored but more often tinted, spotted or edged with contrasting colors, but always rich and beautiful.

Goliath—Enormous size, opening flat and wide. Outside pearly white, inside ultramarine blue with wide white border, dark, rich and velvety. A grand flower.

Leopard—A light delicate pink, thickly spotted scarlet.

Snow White—The largest and finest of all pure white sorts. A flower of the gods. Vigorous, and a great bloomer.

Scarlet Queen—Large, wide-opened flowers of a dark, deep, rich crimson-scarlet. Brightest colored sort.

Othello—Deep, rich purple-pink. Magnificent, darkest color yet seen in Gloxinias.

Tricolor Spotted—Various colors, all beautifully tinged and spotted. Exceedingly handsome.

Venosa--Various colors, all charmingly veined, and many also spotted.

Cyclope—Bright crimson, throat thickly spotted purple, whole flower surrounded by a broad band of pure white.

Cattleya—Flowers show the delicate fine rosy lilac colors of an Orchid, and are exquisite.

Above new sorts 20c. each: 3 for 50c.; the 9 for $1.25 or $1.50 per doz.

Childs' Giant Mixed Colors—Originated by us, and is a flower of the most extraordinary size and widely open. In shape it is perfect, many of the petals being beautifully frilled and fimbriated. Colors rich and varied, some of the combinations being unique and beautiful beyond description. Plants vigorous, with enormous leaves and often as many as 40 and 50 of these gigantic flowers showing at one time on a plant. 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00.

Queen Lily.

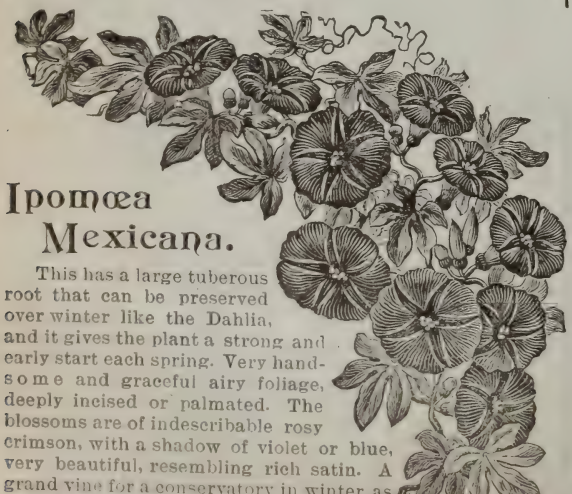
A plant with a bulb somewhat like a small Tuberose. The foliage is exceedingly beautiful and of tropical appearance, leaves being large and paddle-shaped. The flowers are borne on a strong scape, which rises from the center of the plant, and are in the form of a cockade. Color exceedingly delicate, white and pink, with orange center. A beautiful and a novel plant, which blooms in August and September, and makes a fine garden plant. Fine bulbs, 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

Gloxinia Tubiflora.

This is far different from ordinary Gloxinias, being a plant of erect, branching habit, which is propagated by cuttings, producing a strong bulb or tuber. Flower stems rise to the height of two feet, each bearing several large pure white blossoms 4 inches in length, and of a peculiar and fascinating fragrance. It is a hardy and easily grown pot plant, good for any situation, blooming freely, and always attracts great attention by its oddity, novelty and remarkable beauty. It is also a fine garden flower treated like any summer flowering bulbs but is seen at its best as a pot plant. A very novel and a truly superb flower. Strong tubers. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Hyacinthus Candicans.

A species of Hyacinth which blossoms during August and September, growing three to five feet high, with spikes of pure white flowers two feet in length. The bulbs are large, round and solid, and throw up large flower stems which are gigantic spikes of thimble-shaped white blossoms. Planted in the spring they bloom in August, September and October, strong bulbs producing two, three and even four flower stems. A bed of a dozen or more bulbs produces a grand effect. A few planted in the center of a bed of Verbenas Petunias or other flowers make a beautiful display. They contrast elegantly with Gladiolus. Planted anywhere, singly or in clumps, they are magnificent. For a cemetery nothing can be more beautiful or appropriate and nothing thrives better in any situation. Strong bulbs sure to bloom. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.

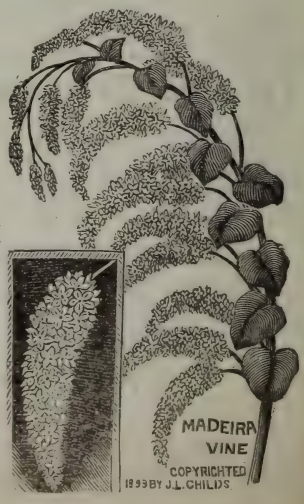


Ipomœa Mexicana.

This has a large tuberous root that can be preserved over winter like the Dahlia, and it gives the plant a strong and early start each spring. Very handsome and graceful airy foliage, deeply incised or palmated. The blossoms are of indescribable rosy crimson, with a shadow of violet or blue, very beautiful, resembling rich satin. A grand vine for a conservatory in winter as well as for the open ground in summer. In fact it is the grandest of all flowering vines. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Madeira Vine.

A rapid growing vine, covering a large space in a short time. Fleshy, heart-shaped leaves of a light green, and in late summer numerous racemes of feathered flowers of powerful and delicious fragance. A very beautiful and popular vine, which succeeds admirably everywhere and should be extensively planted, being so very cheap, quick of growth, beautiful and fragrant. 5c. each · 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.



Eucomis Punctata.

This plant is a native of the Cape of Good Hope, and is nearly hardy in New York. It is most useful for decorative purposes as a pot plant. The accompanying illustration gives a good idea of its effectiveness, and there are few plants more useful or that will attract wider attention. Easily grown and a good bloomer. May be treated in all respects like an Amaryllis. Fine bulbs, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Incarvillea Delavayi.

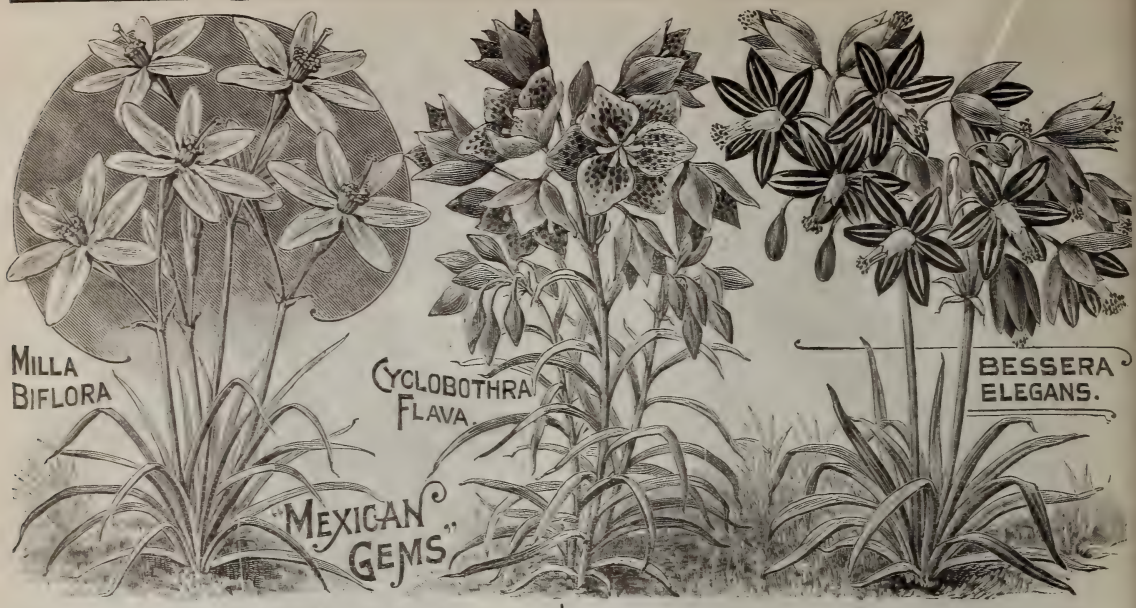
A grand new plant for the garden having a large tuberous root somewhat like a Dahlia. The foliage appears in great spreading fern-like fronds, and is highly ornamental. The flowers are borne on stems two feet tall, and are of large size like a beautiful Gloxinia, and of deep rich rose color. Blooms nearly all summer, and is certainly a glorious thing. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Giant Spring Ranunculus.

These from spring planted bulbs give most astonishing results. Plant very early, in partial shade, and water liberally, and in a few weeks you will have a show of large double flowers, which even Roses cannot surpass. We know of no other low-priced bulb that is so perfectly magnificent. Their long, wiry stems fit them admirably for cutting, and for late spring bedding they have few equals. They bear the most lovely flowers imaginable—pink, white, black, yellow, red, blush and variegated, each about two inches in diameter, and as double and as perfectly imbricated as a Dahlia or Rose.

Mixed—All color, 2 for 5c.; 12 for 25c.
Mont Blanc—Pure white.
Fire Ball—Bright scarlet.
Apollo—Finest yellow.
Black Turban—Coal black.

5c. each; the 4 for 15c.; 35c. per doz.



3 Mexican Gems.

Though entirely distinct from each other, we class these three fine bulbs together, as their habit is somewhat alike. They can all be grown either as pot plants or in the open ground. They are very effective when grown in clumps or masses and are very profuse and long blooming. Exceedingly fine for cutting. Gems of real grace and beauty.

Bessera Elegans.

Flower stems from one to two feet high, bearing loose umbels of beautiful, drooping scarlet and white flowers. A charming bouquet flower. Few flowers present such graceful beauty while growing in a natural state or when cut. With Milla Biflora this makes a most lovely contrast, and they are two of the finest flowering bulbs we have ever grown. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Milla Biflora.

The flowers are pure waxy white, two inches in diameter, star-shaped and usually in pairs on long slender stems. It is beautiful, especially for cutting, as it lasts a long time in water. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon this lovely flower. It pleases everyone and should be grown very largely. This charming flower is exceedingly popular for florists use, and the demand for the blossoms is great. The blossoms frequently last two weeks when cut and placed in vases of water. It is a perfect gem. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Cyclobothra Flava.

Narrow grassy foliage and a constant bloomer. Flowers bell-shaped, bright yellow dotted brown. Very graceful and in every respect a perfect gem. In many ways it closely resembles the superb Calochortus of California. Like Milla and Bessera it is easily grown in the open ground treated like a Gladiolus. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

The Great Ismene.

(*Ismene Calathena Grandiflora.*)

Those who are familiar with the true Giant Ismene cannot say enough in praise of its beauty and purity. The flowers are of very large size, like an Amaryllis, novel form of snowy whiteness, and are also exceedingly fragrant. It is really one of the most lovely of all the great Amaryllis tribe, having a peculiar grandeur which one can appreciate at sight, but cannot describe. Bulbs are large and strong and begin to flower in two or three weeks after planting, sending up tall flower stems, which bear several of its magnificent blossoms. As a pot plant it is grand, and as a garden bulb treated like a Gladiolus it is one of the choicest of all flowers. Do not fail to try it. It will more than please you for it is superior to the Bermuda Easter Lily as a flowering bulb. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; 15 for $2.00.

"MONTBRETIAS."

Montbretias.

In the hope of interesting our customers in this comparatively new summer-flowering bulb, which is one of the most brilliant, easily grown and satisfactory of all garden flowers, as well as one of the very choicest, we devote this page to the finest new varieties. Easier than Gladiolus to grow, and requires the same treatment, but can be planted earlier and left in the ground later, as they are so hardy they continue blooming after fall frosts. One of the brightest and most winsome flowers we know of. Should always be grown in masses or groups and are thus remarkably showy and brilliant. From July to October they are one mass of flowers, spike after spike of the flame-like beauties appearing. Extra fine for cutting, their dash of color lighting up a heavy mass of flowers with grace. One of the most lovely flowers we know, so graceful and bright and cheery.

Crocosmæflora—Deep orange and red.
Sulphurea—Bright, deep sulphur yellow.
Gerbe d'Or—Golden-yellow, crimson brown center.
Talisman—Dark scarlet.
Bouquet Perfect—Vermillion, yellow center.
Macrocephale—Lovely clear light citron.
Pure Lemon—Dwarf, compact, very free bloomer.
Rayon d'Or—Finest yellow and bronze.
Rosea—Fine rose.
Transcendent—Red and yellow, very bright.

5c. *each*; *the 10 for* 40c.; 50c. *per dozen*.

Mixed Sorts—All kinds. 25c. per dozen; $1.50 per 100.

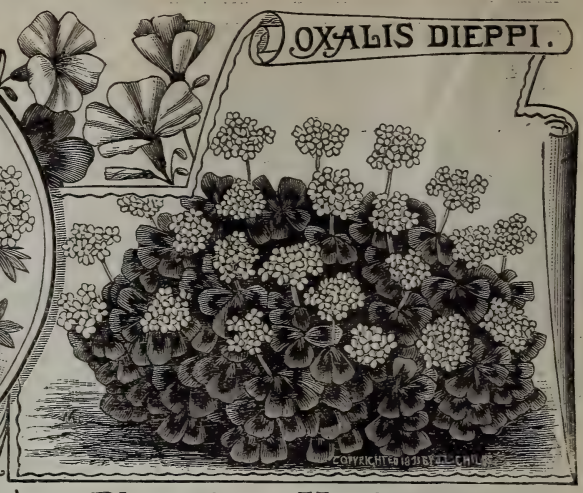
NEW GIANT MONTBRETIAS.

These are entirely new and magnificent. All of gigantic size both in flower and spike as shown in above cut.

Geo. Davison—A splendid Montbretia 3 feet high, eight to ten-branched, bearing lovely pale orange-yellow flowers 3 inches across, widely expanded and tinted orange.
Germania—Grows from 3 to 4 feet high, producing graceful, free-branching flower-spikes, bearing very large, widely expanded flowers 2 to 3 inches across. The color is a rich, glowing orange-scarlet, with red throat.
Messidor—A very distinct new seedling, branching; color maple-yellow, passing to pale yellow. This is the nearest approach to a white variety at present.
Martagon—Deep orange, with brownish center.

20c. each; *4 for* 60c.; $1.75 *per dozen*.

OXALIS LASANDRIA.



Summer Flowering Oxalis.

No bulb is so valuable for edging the borders of walks or flower beds as the beautiful flowering Oxalis. When planted three inches apart they produce an unbroken row of elegant foliage and pretty flowers; and as they bloom quickly after planting they furnish a neat and attractive border the whole season. They are also splendid when planted in a mass, and make a very showy bed. The bulbs, which are the size of Peas, or larger, can be planted the first of May, or perhaps earlier, and will bloom the first of June. No flower easier grown than this, as they are sure to succeed in all soils and situations. They are also charming when grown in pots and make a very attractive mass of fine foliage and gay flowers. They can be planted in this way at any time during the winter or spring, and will commence blooming at once. Every bulb will grow and flower finely.

Dieppi—Pure white; very fine.

Lasandria—Fine rosy-pink, beautiful cut foliage.

Shamrock—Lovely clover-like foliage and pink blossoms.

Mixed Colors—Several sorts.

Price of bulbs 10c. per dozen; 25 for 15c.; 100 for 40c.; 500 for $1.50; 1000 for $2.50.

Mammoth Bulbs—These bulbs are nearly as large as Gladiolus, and will produce a wonderful profusion of bloom. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Phrynium Variegatum.

An elegant pot or bedding plant, which is faithfully depicted in the accompanying cut, though it conveys no idea of the exquisite variegations of the leaves. Its manner of growth is much like that of a Canna, the leaves borne on erect foot-stalks, with spreading blades of oblong lanceolate form. They are bright, pale-green, beautifully variegated with white and gold, the variegations being extremely diversified. In some leaves the whole area is white, in others only one-half, in others again it is confined to the interspaces between two or three of the ribs while in others it is reduced to a few stripes. It is very free growing, and one of the most ornamental plants imaginable. As a pot plant it surpasses the best Palms, and can be compared only to some of the rare Dracænas. As a bedding plant, planted out in full sun, it is simply elegant, making a specimen which for ornamental foliage has no equal. It is a free, vigorous and easy grower, succeeding in all situations, and under all conditions. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; 15 for $2.00.

NEW SPIDER LILY.

PHRYNIUM VARIEGATUM

New Spider Lily.

This grand new Spider Lily forms large, imposing clumps, that are a mass of clustered heads of pure white, fragrant flowers. The flowers have a peculiar and striking beauty, which must be seen to be appreciated. The flowers are borne in large clusters, are of waxy-whiteness and unsurpassed fragrance. More beautiful than most of the high-priced Lilies. An extra choice garden flower which we cannot too strongly recommend. Also a fine pot plant. Fine flowering bulbs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Childs' Superior Tuberoses.

The one flower the rich man must have and the poor can not do without. We all love its massive spikes, thick, waxen blooms of rich, creamy whiteness, and its deep, delicious fragrance. How often has this sweet flower, that might have bloomed in Paradise, been placed upon the cold forms of those whose spirits have gone to fairer fields. We have made our prices very low, that every flower lover may enjoy their peerless beauty. For open ground culture, plant about the middle of May. Give them rich soil, in full sun, and keep free from weeds, and they will bloom finely. Plant a good big lot of them for cutting, and if you will pot those which are in bud about the time frost is expected, they will bloom elegantly in pots for a long time; often till Christmas.

Excelsior Pearl—First introduced by us years ago. It is the finest bloomer of all Tuberoses; habit dwarf, flower stalks short, spikes and blooms enormous in size and very double and fragrant. The finest for pots as well as for the garden. Large select bulbs, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.; 100 for $3.00.

Tall Double—The old popular variety. Splendid for the open ground. 5c. each; 5 for 20c.; 12 for 40c.

New Variegated—The leaves of this variety are bordered with creamy white; flowers single but very large and of exquisite fragrance. Bulbs continue to grow and bloom year after year. It makes a most magnificent plant. It blooms several weeks earlier than the other sorts, which greatly adds to its value. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

Single Orange-Scented—A fine sort, bearing very early in the season large spikes of beautiful single orange-like blossoms. Very fragrant. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

One bulb each of above four sorts, 25c.; or 3 of each for 60c.

Giant Tigridias.

One of the most showy of all summer bulbs, and blooms from mid-summer until frost, growing two feet high, with large wide-open triangular blooms, four to six inches across. The colors and markings are very brilliant and peculiarly odd and attractive, and clumps of them in the border have a most gorgeous effect. It is difficult to name a flower of such unique and exquisite beauty as a Tigridia, the superb spotting being so self-like and handsome. They are easily grown and always more than satisfactory. One cannot without seeing them realize how truly beautiful they are. The named sorts we offer are truly immense, some of them being quite new.

Canariensis—Fine bright yellow.
Conchiflora—Yellow-spotted orange.
Grandiflora Alba—White, fine crimson spots.
Speciosa—Deep red, fine purple spots.
Rosea—Magnificent rosy pink.
Immaculata—Pure white without spots.
10c. *each; the 6 for* 50c.

Grandiflora Hybrids Mixed—Grand new strain of mammoth size, and a great variety of splendid colors. These will give unbounded satisfaction. 3 for 20c.; 12 for 60c.

Phaedranassa.

Splendid bulbs, closely allied to Amaryllis.

Gloriosa—The flowers are borne in pendulous clusters, and an odd mingling of colors, green, scarlet, etc. Always admired, for it is a very odd and exceedingly interesting plant. The clusters of fine, drooping blossoms are entirely unlike any other species of Amaryllis. It is a fine garden bulb, growing and flowering freely with treatment like Gladiolus.

Rubra—A fine variety showing more red color.

Abtusa—An odd combination of colors.

15c. *each; the 3 for 30c.*

ZEPHYRANTHES.

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Zephyranthes.

The Zephyr flowers, or Fairy Lilies, are gems of rare beauty; and when planted either in pots or the open ground they produce very beautiful Lily-like flowers nearly all summer. Though some of the varieties are old, they are not generally known or seen in cultivation owing to the fact that they have never been properly and thoroughly introduced. When once grown they are always grown, for they are one of the prettiest and easiest grown flowers it is possible to have. They are of a lovely section of the great and popular Amaryllis family. For pot culture plant three or four in a 5 or 6-inch pot and they will bloom beautifully. For the garden plant in spring and lift them in the fall, like Gladiolus. We offer here several new sorts of great beauty, which make a collection of 7 superb kinds. Those who plant them, either in pots or the open ground, will be delighted with them.

Rosea—Beautiful clear rose; flowers large and very handsome. One of the oldest and best; blooms all summer.

Sulphurea—(GIANT-FLOWERED)—This produces flowers as large as large Amaryllis, and on stems 15 to 24 inches in height. One of the clearest and finest shades of yellow we ever saw. The shape of the flower is perfection itself. It is one of the choicest gems in the bulb line.

Atamasco—This is, in all respects, much like Rosea, except in color, which is pure white. Flowers large and very beautiful. A cheap but magnificent sort.

Floribunda—It bears its flowers usually in pairs, two on one stem. It is very beautiful, being of a rich golden yellow, and exceedingly sweet-scented, its perfume being unlike any other flower we ever saw.

Candida—Pure white and a very free bloomer.

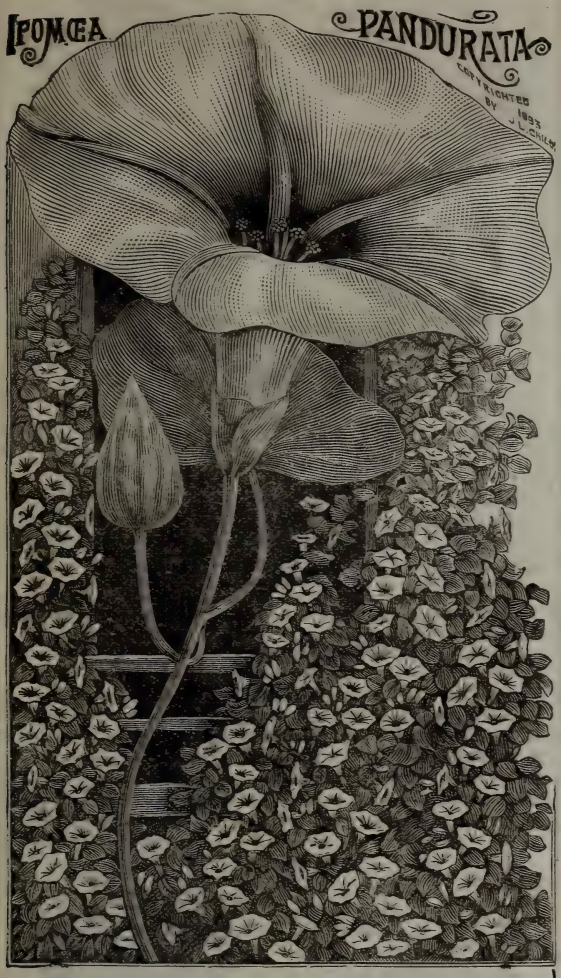
New Pink—A lovely new sort with light pink or blush tinted flowers.

Verecunda—A new very free flowering Zephyranthes of great beauty. Fine white, tinted red outside.

Price, 5c. each; the 7 for 30c.; 3 each of the 7 for 75c. Any sort at 40c. per dozen.

HARDY FLOWERING BULBOUS VINES ETC.

A few lovely Bulbous Vines, and the most magnificent Lilies in the world. All perfectly hardy.



Ipomœa Pandurata.

HARDY TUBEROUS-ROOTED MOONFLOWER.

This will stand a year's drouth without a murmur. An immense subterranean root, weighing sometimes a hundred pounds, sustains the vines through any vicissitude of weather until frost kills them to the ground. Each year it springs up stronger than before, until it becomes a large luxuriant vine, clothed with a luxuriant growth of pretty cordate leaves, and bearing great quantities, yes, thousands of large, thick-textured waxy flowers of a rich creamy-white, with a throat of violet-purple. It will grow in any soil, no matter how poor, and its blossoms remain open all day unlike other Ipomœas. It is perfectly hardy in any climate, and a vine which will cover an enormous amount of space. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Apios Tuberosa or Tuberous-Rooted Wistaria

A valuable hardy tuberous-rooted climber closely resembling the common Wistaria in vine and foliage and having clusters of rich, deep purple flowers, which have a strong delicious violet fragrance. Plant the bulbs near a trellis, tree, fence, or any place where you may wish a climber. They grow to a great height, and bloom profusely. The bulbs are perfectly hardy, and should not be taken up over winter. It is sure to give great satisfaction. If possible, plant two or three bulbs near together, to produce a greater mass of vines and flowers. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 7 for 50c.; 15 for $1.00.

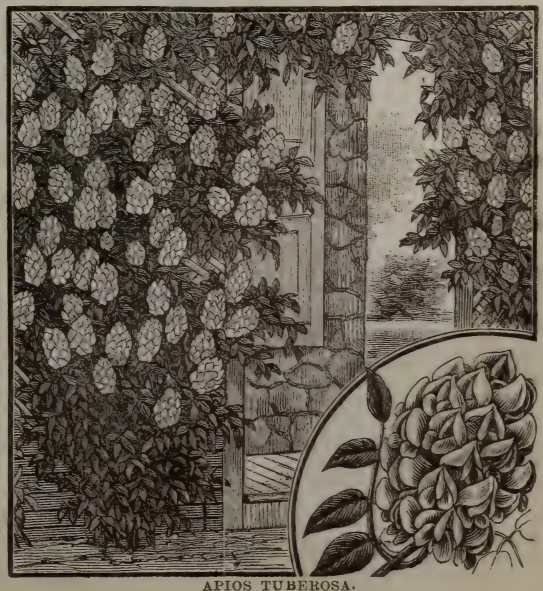
CINNAMON VINE.

Cinnamon Vine.

A pretty, hardy vine, with edible roots and neat, glossy, cordate foliage. In midsummer it bears clusters of tiny but exceedingly fragrant flowers, with an odor like cinnamon. A very pretty vine to train over a small trellis, or around a window. Makes a strong, rapid and luxuriant growth every year. 2 for 5c.; 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c. Year old roots, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Thladiantha Dubia.

A lovely bulbous vine, which stands the winter unprotected anywhere, and makes a beautiful growth year after year with an abundance of bright yellow flowers, bell-shaped like a Cobæa. Plant bulbs anywhere, and the vines may be allowed to trail over the ground, in which case they make a fine carpet of foliage and flowers. For training on sticks or lattice work it is splendid, growing about the height of a Sweet Pea. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



APIOS TUBEROSA.

Hardy Lilies.

The brush cannot paint or the pen portray the exquisite purity and delicacy, yet magnificent grandeur of the stately Lily. It is the plus ultra of floral beauty and we urge our friends to each year add a few Lilies to their collection. No other flower will so adorn our homes when in bloom, and they constantly improve after planting. We feel sure if our readers could see a good collection of from 20 to 40 different sorts in bloom they would never rest until they had a goodly number of their own. As a rule Lilies are of the easiest cultivation, especially the following, which have been carefully selected as the very hardiest, handsomest, and in every respect the best. Each.

Auratum Common — (THE GOLDEN BANDED LILY OF JAPAN)—Ivory-white, spotted crimson, and a broad golden band through center of each petal..... 20

Auratum Macranthum—A very robust form, with large, broad-petaled flowers of smooth ivory-whitness, broad golden band through each petal, and numerous golden spots. A grand beauty..... 75

Auratum Rubro Vittatum—A very distinct flower of enormous size, of frosted whiteness, with a deep blood-red band through the center of each petal, and the whole flower thickly dotted with crimson spots. The contrast of colors in the Lily, together with its great size and matchless form, make it marvelously beautiful.....1 00

Auratum Virginale—Colors only yellow and white, both spots and bands being yellow. One ft. across. Grand.1 00

Brownii—A grand Lily, but very rare. The large wax-like flowers are chocolate-purple on the outside, snow-white on the inside. Stamens a rich chocolate brown. Blossoms large and trumpet-shaped..... 60

Bermuda Easter Lily—The best of all Lilies for the house; sure to bloom. Snow-white waxen trumpets of large size and superb beauty. Very fragrant..... 20

Batemanni—Rich apricot. Very handsome..... 20

Canadense — A fine bell-shaped flower, light orange yellow, spotted 15

Canadense Rubrum—Rich dark red, spotted..... 20

Canadense Flavum—Yellow..... 20

Candidum—White. Best planted in fall..... 20

Croceum—Fine orange-red..... 10

Excelsum—This beautiful Lily is a near relative of Candidum, being like it in bulb, foliage and growth the flowers being a little different in shape and of a rich apricot-yellow color. It is fragrant and one of the most exquisitely beautiful of all Lilies..... 40

Humboldti Magnificum—A new and greatly improved form of the old Humboldti. The large orange blossoms have a crimson circle around each of the many black spots, and the bulb is such a strong easy grower that it is bound to do well and flower finely..... 60

Hansoni—A very rare and fine Lily. Blooms extra early, the flowers appearing in large clusters. Color rich yellow with a few black dots..... 50

Elegans—Grand, large tulip-shaped blossoms of many shades and colors. The umbels of upright cup-like flowers are very pleasing. Among the earliest of all Lilies to bloom. Mixed, many fine colors, $1.00 per doz. 10

E. Bicolor—A very showy early Lily. Large flowers of a bright red flushed with orange. Striking..... 10

E. Leonard Joerg—Light yellow, spotted black, grand. 15

E. Double—Rich maroon, double..... 35

E. Robusta—Dark orange, very robust..... 20

E. Painted Chief—Very brilliant flame color..... 20

E. Midnight—Very dark, almost black..... 40

E. Aurora—Very fine apricot and orange..... 30

E. Citrinum—Light lemon. Very clear and fine color.. 25

E. Quilp—A very bright, varied and beautiful combination of colors..... 30

One each of the 9 for $2.00.

HANSONI.

HUMBOLDTI.

Longiflorum—Long trumpets of the purest white. Flowers large, but plants quite low in growth. Very fragrant. As fine as Harrisi for gardens..... 15

Sulphureum—Flowers long and large, funnel-shaped, primrose yellow within, chocolate-white without. It is one of the grandest if not the most imposing Lilies yet grown.....1 00

Superbum—Three to six feet high, flowers from five to forty, nodding; brilliant orange-red..... 15

Umbellatum—One of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large, perfect flowers. Colors range from black-red through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, etc., many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts mixed..... 15

Pardalinum—(LEOPARD LILY)—Rich scarlet and yellow flowers, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily, and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. Succeeds in all situations. No garden complete without it.....15

Tigrinum, fl. pl.—(DOUBLE TIGER LILY)—This is a plant of stately habit, growing from 4 to 6 feet high, bearing an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers, spotted with black.....10

Tigrinum Splendens—Improved Tiger Lily..... 5

Tenuifolium—The lovely Coral Lily of Siberia. A great beauty. The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 inches high, with finely cut foliage, splendid stems and beautiful shaped flowers of shining coral-red. One ought to grow them by the dozen they are so fine for cutting and make such fine clumps for the lawn. Blooms very early. 3 for 35c.; 12 for $1.00.....15

Wallacei—This Lily is very floriferous, each bulb throwing up from 4 to 5 flower stems, each one of which is crowned with 8 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms, of a delicate, bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort. 12 for 50c..... 5

Washingtonianum—A greatly improved form with smaller bulb and larger flowers. Color, pure white, trumpet-shaped, grows 4 to 8 feet high and is truly a grand sight.35

Grand Speciosum Lilies.

These are the hardiest, and most robust and free flowering of all Lilies, while in beauty they are second to none.

Rubrum—Deep rose, freely spotted crimson, and mottled white; perfectly exquisite. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 7 for 70c.

Melpomene—Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted white, spotted, clouded and bearded, with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered red. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Praecox—Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white with a tinge of blush at the top of petal. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Monstrosum Album—Broad, flat stems, and immense heads of flowers, often fifty in a cluster. Pure snow-white. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 7 for 75c.

Henryi—New and exceedingly rare, tall, strong grower, producing flowers in great profusion of a fine apricot-yellow color. The yellow Speciosum. $1.00 each.

Opal—We have thought that no Speciosum could exceed Melpomene, but this new Lily is even larger, grander, and, if possible, more richly colored. It is frosted glistening white, delicately clouded and suffused with rose blush and spotted with rosy-scarlet. The deeply recurved petals are snowy-white at the tip, gradually deepening in color to the base of each petal. 40c. each.

One each of the above 6 sorts for $2.00.

WALLACEI. UMBELLATUM.

HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS.

The earth wears a crown of Floral Beauties, and among the brightest, richest and sweetest are the hardy Perennials. They fill a place in our gardens, and in our hearts which nothing else can supply. Like flowering shrubs, when once planted they are good for a life-time and we come to regard them as a part, not only of our home, but of our very existence. What would induce us to part with the grand old clumps of Peonies, Lilies, Iris, etc., which have stood along the path in our front yard so long, and greeted us year after year with such cheery brightness and beauty? They have cheered us through many vicissitudes and dark hours of life. They were loved by dear ones whose voices we hear no more; their blossoms call to our minds dear associations, happy days and happy faces which time, the great Destroyer, has stolen from us. Yes, let us enrich our borders and walks with these dear flowers, which will be our friends forevermore.

New Double Iris Kæmpferi.

These new Iris from Japan rival the Lily in stateliness, the Peony in majestic beauty, the Orchid in marvelous delicacy and blending of colors, the Chrysanthemum in profusion and surpass almost every plant in the size and kingly magnificence of flowers. Think of a plant sending up to the height of three feet a dozen flower spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight to ten inches across and of the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings and combinations. Think of a bed of all colors, white, indigo, violet, lavender, mauve, sky-blue, royal purple, blush, yellow, etc. Your imagination can conceive of nothing grander, and when you see them you will realize that they are infinitely more grand and beautiful than your imagination could portray. Such are these new double Iris Kæmpferi, the king of hardy perennial plants. Once planted in your garden they are a joy for a lifetime without further care, blooming profusely in June or July, during which time they are the greatest attraction your garden or lawn can contain. These Iris received highest award at the World's Fair.

Mahogany—Very large flower, deep mahogany.

Gold Bound—Tall and showy with flowers of enormous size, probably the most beautiful of all. Pure snow-white with large gold-banded center.

Oriole—Rich plum, marked yellow.

Spotted Beauty—Wavy, double silky white, spotted with violet crimson.

Excelsior—Shaded violet purple, slightly veined white. Center white and orange.

La Favorite—Large fine white, freely veined blue.

Pyramid—Tall and showy, flowers very large; light violet-blue with slight white veins.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; the 7 for $1.00; any sort at $1.50 per doz.; $10.00 per 100.

FINE MIXED IRIS KÆMPFERI.

More than 40 finest sorts, double and single. 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00; 100 for $6.00.

SEED OF IRIS KÆMPFERI.

Finest seed from best sorts mixed. Will produce superb flowers and bloom mostly the second summer. Pkt. 10c.

German Iris.

Another flower, as handsome as the Orchid, now to be found in many new colors. A striking flower of crepe-like texture and most exquisite coloring, the gauzy veining reminding one of the delicate tracing of the butterfly's wing. We grow acres of Iris, and know you can find no finer list of varieties than the one here presented. They bloom in May and June, when there is a dearth of really fine flowers, and once planted are good for a lifetime, increasing every year.

Fine Mixed German Iris—A lovely collection of all colors.

Will all bloom finely the first summer. 6 for 40c.; 12 for 75c.; 100 for $4.00.

Pæonias.

The favorite of to-day, as it was fifty years ago. Luxurious foliage plant, with magnificent, double incurved flowers of enormous size and rich colorings. Nothing can surpass the intensity of the dark varieties that fairly glow with a radiant fire of richness, while the white and pale varieties are very soft and delicate in their coloring.

New Giant — Like an enormous double Rose, of a blush color, grows 3 to 4 feet high, and bears flowers nearly as large as a man's hat. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Fragrans—Deep crimson-pink, double and very sweet. 20c.

Queen Victoria—Pure white, very early. 40c. each.

Officinalis, fl. pl.—The grand early flowering, old-fashioned double crimson Peony. 25c. each.

Agida—Fine rosy violet. 30c. each.

One each of the 5 sorts for $1.25.

New Seedling Pæonies—Choice seedling roots which have never yet bloomed and therefore the fine ones have not been selected out. These seedlings will show some most magnificent new sorts. 15c. each; 5 for 60c.

The Sweet Orris.

One of the most delicate perfumes known is that of the Orris root. High class Oriental toilet powders, and sachet perfumes are made largely from the root of this plant, which when dried and ground makes a fine and lasting substance for imparting delicious odors. The dried roots may be used in many ways for perfuming chiffoniers or trunks of clothing. The plant is of the Iris family with great handsome white blossoms, which emit the same delicate perfume as the roots, and are objects of great beauty in any garden, also perfectly hardy and bloom abundantly each year. We are most fortunate in having secured from Europe a large stock of this delightful garden flower and we know that our customers will be delighted with the Sweet Orris. Strong roots, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Dicentra Spectabilis.

The glorious old Bleeding-Heart. Exquisite for winter blooming in pots. Also a favorite early spring bloomer for the garden, being perfectly hardy. Try it for pots, and treat same as recommended for Hyacinths and other flowering bulbs. Every garden should have a clump also. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

See Front Cover for colored illustration of these glorious New Hardy Pinks.

Garden Pinks, Early Flowering.

A great novelty. We all remember the great bunches of spicy double pink Pinks that bloomed so sweetly in nearly every old garden. These new Pinks are the same, only they are larger, stronger, better and sweeter in every way. They are perfectly hardy, so strong and robust, that they never die out and when once established are good for all time, reaching out and flowering with greater profusion each year. Habit very dwarf and compact, one plant often showing a hundred blossoms. Not only do they bloom profusely in June but to a considerable extent all summer and fall.

Seed—Flowers first season, (see page 26). 15c per pkt.

Plants—The following are cutting plants, strong and well rooted. Ready to bloom this spring. They are selected from the largest and finest kinds and each is a real gem.

No. 1. Light lavender pink; large and double.
No. 2. Large double white.
No. 3. Single, very large white, crimson center.
No. 4. Pink and crimson, mottled, very double.
No. 5. Double light pink, crimson center.
No. 6. Blush, purple eye, double.
No. 7. Crimson, very dwarf, trailing or creeping habit. Fine for carpet bedding.
No. 8. Fine double blush.

Price 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; the 8 for $1.00.

Mixed—Many fine sorts including the above. $1.00 per dozen.

Rudbeckia Golden Glow.

A hardy perennial plant growing eight feet high, branching freely, and bearing by the hundreds, on long, graceful stems exquisite double blossoms, of the brightest golden color, and as large as Cactus Dahlias. As cut flowers the blossoms last well. We unhesitatingly regard it as the most desirable introduction among hardy perennials. It is the most effective flowering plant for August and September in cultivation. Strong plants, which will bloom freely this season. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

Ornamental Bulbous Grass.

A fine Ornamental Grass which grow from a small bulb, one bulb forming a dense clump of beautiful striped green, white and pink foliage. It blooms towards the end of summer, producing pretty plumes, but the foliage itself is its most ornamental part. 3 bulbs for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

Early Rose-Flowered Pampas Grass.

One of Mr. Burbank's greatest productions and he speaks of it thus: "It is a splendid plant for the Northern and Eastern States, for it blooms two months earlier than any other Pampas Grass, and produces twice as many plumes, and blooms when half the age of any other. Little seedling plants will the second year produce from 25 to 50 beautiful rosy-carmine plumes during the summer." Such a plant is a grand object, the immense rosy plumes standing higher than a man's head, and the whole plant one of luxuriant beauty. Owing to its extreme earliness, hardiness and great effectiveness as a lawn plant, and also the beauty and usefulness of the dried plumes for winter decoration, it is a great acquisition. Fine plants 60c. each; 2 for $1.00. Seed 20c. per pkt.

Perennial Phlox.

Those who remember the thin-petaled white and the dull-hued purple Perennial Phlox of old-fashioned gardens can scarcely recognize these new Phloxes as the same flowers. These new varieties are in bloom from June until frost, and the individual florets are twice the size of the old time Phlox, and the shades of color the brightest, richest and cheapest. There are no finer or more useful perennials than the Perennial Phloxes, or which will give more complete satisfaction. The varieties we offer are new and fine, and the plants we send out will bloom magnificently the coming summer. They are cheap and we hope that all our customers will plant them.

Pyramidal White—A plant of sturdy compact growth, bearing enormous pyramidal panicles of great snow-white blossoms.

Pyramidal Crimson—Like the above, with same great blossoms but of brightest crimson color. The two sorts contrast finely. They bloom all summer long and are equal to Hydrangeas in majestic beauty.

Pyramidal Oculata—White; large crimson eye. Showy.
" **Lavender**—Delicate lavender; white center.
" **Rose**—Large, bright rose.
" **Blush**—Blush tinted; extra large and fine.
" **Wine Red**—Splendid deep, rich wine red color.
" **Striped**—White and crimson, beautiful.

20c. each; any 3 for 50c.; the 8 for $1.00.

TWO SPLENDID NEW PHLOXES.

Giant White Branching—This New Giant White Branching Phlox is in many respects the finest of all. The flowers are large, pure white and borne in large pyramidal panicles; the plant stooling freely and branching well gives an immense amount of bloom. In this respect it is quite new and distinct, and of course immensely attractive. It blooms all summer long which also adds greatly to its value. Strong plants, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Snowy Dwarf—Plant very small and compact, with large bunches of gigantic snow white blossoms. The most novel, striking and beautiful of all Phloxes. 30c. each; 3 for 75c.

SUBULATA OR CARPET PHLOX.

Phlox Subulata—One of the finest of low tuft-growing plants, for carpeting under trees, around rock-work, edging beds, etc. Early in spring is very showy, with its cloud of bright, pink blossoms. We do not understand why this is not more widely grown, for it is perfectly hardy, and once planted will take care of itself.

Subulata Pure White—Superb novelty, and contrasts charmingly with the pink variety.

15c. each; the 2 for 25c.; $1.00 per dozen.

Candytuft.

A plant of exquisite beauty, being of low, compact, spreading growth, and producing its profusion of blooms in May or June when pure white flowers are particularly scarce. Its profusion of blooms is so great that a bed of it looks, at a distance, like a mass of fleecy snow just fallen. Few hardy plants will give as much real satisfaction as this beautiful gem. Lifted late in the fall, it will bloom well in the house during winter. Perfectly hardy, and foliage evergreen. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.

Ten Thousand Flowered Boltonia.

We have not seen so good a hardy plant as this since we introduced Rudbeckia Golden Glow. That plant went over the whole world like wildfire, and is by far the finest hardy garden plant in cultivation to-day. Next to it in importance we recommend this new Ten Thousand Flowered Boltonia. The flowers are like a native Aster, pure white and borne in endless numbers as may be seen by the cut, which represents a single stem plant the first summer. Another year this plant will throw up 6 to 10 stems just like this one and a mass of bloom shown that no other plant can equal. For a clump or hedge it is superb, perfectly hardy, and grows in any soil or situation. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50. Seed 15c. per pkt.

New Perennial Poppies.

See also page 35 for cut.

If there is a more gorgeous flower anywhere than the Perennial Poppy we fail to know it. The most indifferent observer stands spellbound in the presence of its magnificent fire-like scarlet flowers with their silky texture and foil-like heart of innumerable purple-black stamens. Each bloom is as large as a saucer, and sits perched like a bird on the end of a swaying, hairy, slender stem, high above the deeply-incised and handsome foliage. Many consider it the most showy flower that blooms. A grand plant to light up dark corners and dull shrubbery. Do not disturb them after planted as they dislike removal. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Seed 10c. per pkt.

The Everblooming Tritoma.

The greatest bedding plant ever introduced, surpassing the finest Cannas for attractiveness and brilliancy, equal to Gladiolus as a cut flower and blooms incessantly from June until December, regardless of frost. Plants are perfectly hardy in open ground all winter south of Philadelphia; further north they must be protected or wintered in a celler like the ordinary Tritoma. Just bury the roots in sand; nothing more is required. Should be planted out early in spring, and will commence growth and bloom at once, growing larger and finer every day. Plants show from 6 to 20 grand flower stalks all the time, each holding at a height of 3 to 4 feet a great cluster of flame-colored flowers of indescribable beauty and brilliancy. Each cluster keeps perfect several weeks, and when it fades, 2 or 3 more are ready to take its place. Fall frosts do not kill or stop its blooming, and it is as brilliant as ever long after all other garden flowers have been killed. For cutting it is unsurpassed, and the beautiful long spikes keep several weeks in water. Without a single exception, it is the most desirable garden flower. Strong plants that will soon bloom, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

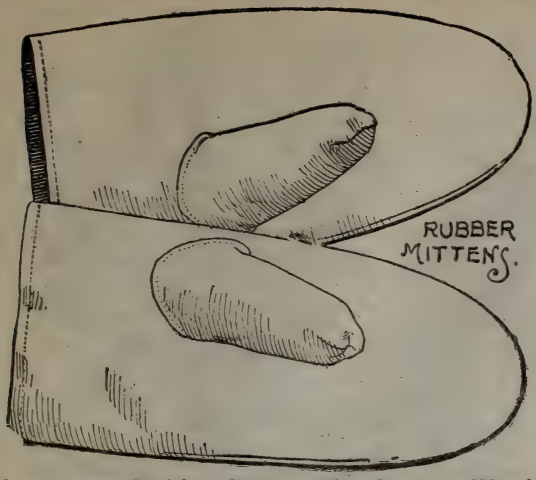
New Hardy Tritoma, May Queen.

A Tritoma that will bloom the first season from seed is indeed a novelty worthy of more than ordinary attention. May Queen will flower the first summer from spring sown seed, sending up tall flower stems on which are borne the great plume-like blossoms of rich yellow and flame color. The plants are also perfectly hardy in the open ground here, and start growth and bloom very early in the spring. They are in full profusion of bloom end of May. The growth is stronger and the bloom more abundant each year. Much more vigorous than any other sort. A superb novelty. Strong plants. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 7 for $1.00.

Seed—15c. per pkt. Often blooms first year from seed.

Achillea Grandiflora.

A most useful and beautiful hardy perennial plant which furnishes a profusion of the choicest double white flowers all summer. It commences to bloom by the first of July and is a perfect mass of bloom until frost; as many as 5,000 flowers have been counted upon one plant at one time. Flowers pure white, perfectly double, and are produced in large sprays, and are unsurpassed for all sorts of cut-flower work, bouquets, etc. It is perfectly hardy anywhere, and so vigorous that it will take care of itself among weeds. For cemetery planting there is nothing finer, for it is sure to live, thrive and bloom profusely year after year. The plants we send out will bloom profusely this summer. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.



Gossamer Rubber Mittens for Garden Work.

After once using these mittens, one who cares to protect the hands would not be without them. The disagreeable part of gardening, in the estimation of many, is overcome by them. The hands are kept from contact with the dirt and protected from the sun. For ladies' use they are invaluable and every lady who works or would like to work among her plants and flowers should have them. 25c. per pair, postpaid.

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The Most Convenient to Use, and The Surest of All Insect Killers.

It is with great pleasure that we offer this, the greatest of all compounds for destroying insects of every kind and description. It is a paste, a teaspoonful of which is dissolved in a pint of warm water (or a tablespoonful in a quart of water). With this water the infested plants are sprayed, washed, syringed or sprinkled. It kills every insect with which it comes in contact, on the spot; also, their eggs and larvæ. Those which escape its touch die afterwards, by feeding upon the plant which has been syringed. Though so destructive to all insect life, it is non-poisonous and harmless to vegetation when diluted as directed. It dissolves quickly and readily in cold water. It is a great discovery and is absolutely sure death to every form of insect life at touch. Price, in six-ounce cans, postpaid, 35c.; 3 cans, 90c.

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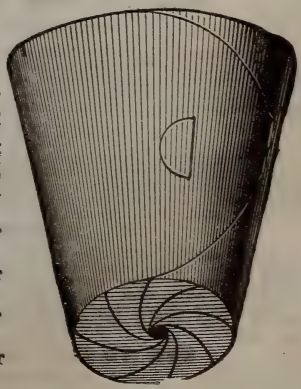

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Crimson Glow—Magnificent large leaves, the center half of which is a rich, metallic crimson, which graduates into a wide zone of light green with lace-like veins, the rim of the leaf having a distinct border of the same metallic crimson as the center.

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Elegant pot plants, much used for Easter decorations. Though attaining a good size, commence to bloom when very small. The flowers are large and very beautiful, always much admired, and range from white to deep crimson in color, with all intermediate shades and markings. Easily grown in a window. Our plants are finest new varieties, and are greatly superior to the older sorts. Many of them are double, and the colors of all are greatly improved, as well as the flowering qualities. All the plants we send out are of blooming size.

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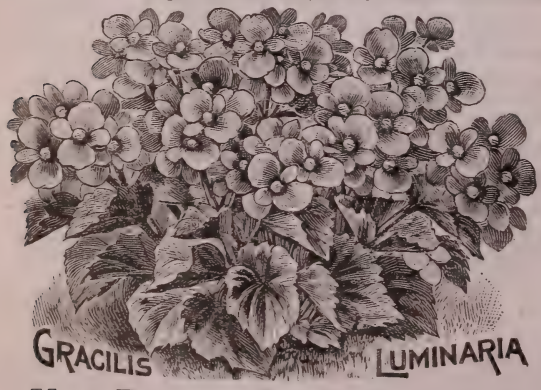

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For pots or bedding this new Begonia is a real acquisition. For bedding it is most valuable as it stands the hot sun, and drouth, blooming abundantly all the time from early till late. In the open air its foliage is a rich bronzy crimson color while the large showy blossoms are another shade of crimson or scarlet, the whole making a most showy mass. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

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Crimson Creeper.

We are indebted to the Agricultural Department at Washington for this splendid new pot plant, so entirely distinct from any other and so exquisitely beautiful and useful. As a pot plant it is highly ornamental all the time, the long, slender, and exceedingly graceful vines, red stemmed, with dark, rich-green foliage, being exceedingly pretty as they hang in wavy trusses over the side of a hanging pot or basket. It blossoms during late winter, spring and early summer, the flowers being large and of a peculiar shade of rich bright crimson, and borne in great profusion. Our customers will find this splendid new creeper exceedingly attractive and novel, and we offer it at a price that brings it easily within the reach of all. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Cyclamen Persicum Giganteum Grandiflorum.

Childs' Improved Large-Flowering.

Few pot plants are so desirable as Cyclamen, especially for winter blooming. Though they are universal favorites, they are not seen in general cultivation to the extent that they should be considering their ease of culture, great beauty and long season of bloom. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in the greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from 12 to 50 well developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate blush and pink shades prevailing. Often the flowers will be spotted and marked, and finely variegated.

The foliage is beautiful, being variegated with different shades of green, and helps to show off the flowers, which rise above it, to a remarkable degree. In fact, a plant in bloom always looks like a tastily arranged vase of flowers and foliage. After blooming all winter bulbs should be allowed to rest over summer in a dry state like Callas.

Giant White—Pure white, enormous size.
Giant Carmine—Very bright.
Giant Pink—Exquisite shades.
Giant Crimson-Black—Very dark and rich.
Giant White Crimson Eye.
Bulbs 30c. each; the 5 for $1.25.
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CYCLAMEN SEED.

Finest seed saved from our favorite strain as offered above. Seedlings grow freely and bloom in 8 to 10 months.
Giant White, Giant Carmine,
Giant Pink, Giant Mixed, 10 Colors.
20c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 50c.

Two Superb Cactus.

These are the best for window culture, and nothing can surpass in rare beauty the new sort, German Empress.

Phyllocactus German Empress—This grand Cactus is like the Night-blooming Cereus in size but beautiful pink in color and borne by the score for a long period, each flower keeping perfect several days. It is the most magnificent of all Cactus, and one of the choicest pot plants, selling recently at $1.00. each for cutting plants. When in flower the plant is one mass of color as shown in cut. Blooms every year no matter how small the plant is. A little plant only a few inches high will often show several magnificent flowers. Very easy to grow. 20c. each.

Echinopsis Mulleri—A most beautiful flower, and as easily grown as a Geranium in any window. It flowers for several months, the long-necked blossoms coming from the bulb-like plant on all sides as you see it in the cut. Color soft, satiny pink, of superlative beauty. A plant in flower is one of the most fascinating floral objects that can be found. 25c. each.

One of each of these two Cactus for 40c.

Childs' Monster Carnations.

The following all new Carnations of our own raising are mammoth flowering sorts, being hybrids of Lawson, with Enchantress and Gen'l Maceo.

Enormous—(NEW)—Extra large, rich deep crimson scarlet. Very rich color.

Rosyflush—(NEW)—A cross between White and Pink Lawson. Large, sturdy, fine dwarf habit. White flushed and variegated maroon.

Giant Spotted—(NEW)—Rich lilac pink, finely specked and spotted maroon.

Halfway—Enormous flower, larger than Lawson. Color halfway between a pink and scarlet. Fine strong grower, and in every way immense. New last year.

Spotted Beauty—Fine rosy pink freely spotted or speckled with crimson. Finest speckled sort. New.

Giant Flaked—Extra large and fine. Beautifully flaked and variegated with crimson on white ground. New.

Giant Striped—Wide scarlet stripes on blush ground. Flower of enormous size and perfect form. New.

Above new sorts, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; the 7 for $1.00.

Mrs. Lawson—Extra large flowers borne on magnificent long stems, and are of a most lovely deep pink shade.

White Lawson—A sport from the above, same monstrous flower and vigorous growth, white as snow.

Pure Gold—Beautiful large flower, borne on long, stiff stems. Exquisite fragrance, petals deeply serrated, and color dark yellow with a few faint marks of pink.

Torch—Extra large flower, brilliant scarlet and borne on stems 4 feet long. Petals beautifully fringed.

Gen'l Maceo—Very full, deeply fringed flower, on stiff wiry stems, 12 to 18 in. long; bloom 3 in. in diameter, color, deep, maroon-black, making one of the darkest and richest shades yet seen.

Enchantress—Enormous flower of perfect form, full, double and sweet, on long graceful stems. Light pink or blush, and exquisite tint.

Blue Bedder—While the flowers are not actually blue, they are of a blush-violet color, the blue shade being at times very pronounced. The plant is of a stout, compact habit and will bloom in the garden profusely all summer long.

15c. each; 3 for 40c.; the 7 for 75c.

New Blue Carnation, "Novelty."

This is the greatest novelty in Carnations we ever had, a most distinct color, bluish purple, rich, handsome and not found in any other flower. Flowers very perfect and very fragrant. A strong grower and great bloomer. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Carnation Seed, Lawson Hybrids—Fine mixed Hybrids of above sorts grown by us and will produce magnificent varieties. (See page 47.) 20c. per pkt.

New Callas (Ethiopica.)

Our new varieties of Calla Ethiopica are really marvels. The gigantic size of Giantissima, and the great blooming qualities of Childsiana place those two new sorts far in advance of all others.

Giantissima—Most superb of all Callas. In size and magnificence it is truly a wonder. Leaves two feet long and flowers a foot in length, *three times larger than any other Calla.* It is a strong, quick grower, but requiries a large pot and a little time to bring it to perfection. Foliage very dark rich green. Flowers snow-white and open unusually flat and broad. We have had single plants showing 10 or more of these magnificent blossoms at once. Our cut shows comparative size of Giantissima and the Common Calla. Fine bulbs, 30c. each; 3 for 75c.

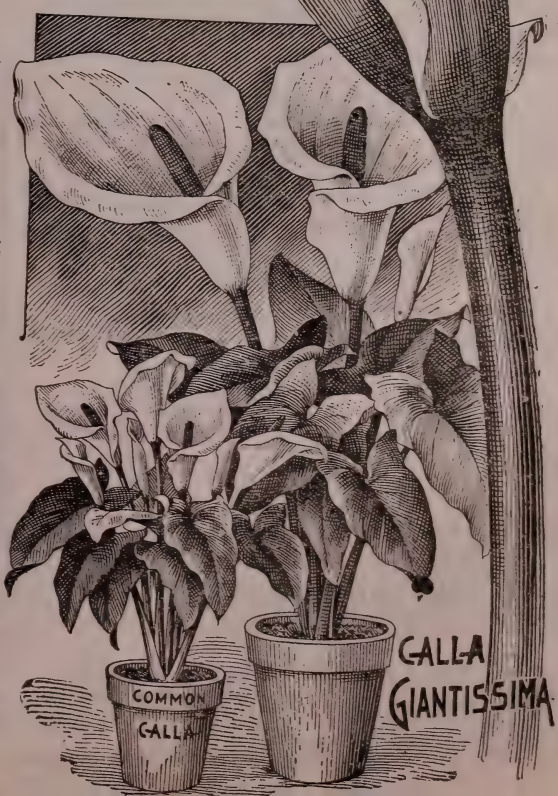
Childsiana—The latest floral sensation of Holland, where this wonderful new Calla was originated and named. Exceedingly dwarf and very compact, with large blossoms which are borne in a profusion never before seen; as many as a dozen flowers are to be seen on one plant at a time, and nearly all of the time. These flowers are of good size, beautiful shape and the most snowy whiteness. They open remarkably flat. Foliage healthy and vigorous, and more nearly heart-shaped than any Calla. It is a long way in advance of all other Callas, having such an ideal habit and fine flowers in such wonderful profusion every day in the year. 25c. each.

Burbank's Dwarf Everblooming "Fragrans"—This new Calla was originated by Luther Burbank, of California, who speaks of it thus: "The plants are of medium size, compact in growth, and bloom profusely. It has not only a most charming flower produced in a profusion never before surpassed, but also with a genuine, sweet, lasting fragrance all its own, but similar to the fragrance of Violets or Lilies." Does not grow tall and scraggy like the old variety, but is strong and compact, with a great abundance of dark green foliage. It is a true everbloomer, its flowers appearing in great abundance both summer and winter when grown in pots, or it will bloom profusely all summer long in open ground, and being potted in September will continue blooming without intermission all winter. The same plant will grow and bloom for years without once ceasing, and the quantity of blooms which a good plant will produce is astonishing. It is estimated that six plants of the old Calla will not produce so many flowers in the course of a year as will one plant of this new variety. A large plant is hardly ever without one or more flowers, and its dwarf, compact habit makes it a much more desirable pot plant. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Little Gem Præcox—A new European Calla, which created a sensation on account of its dwarf, compact habit, and profusion of large blossoms. It produces many flowers at once, which are of great size and snowy whiteness, borne on plants that are exceedingly small. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

White Lady—The latest Calla Novelty. Flowers beautiful in form and freely borne, plant compact and symmetrical in growth. Quite distinct and very fine. 30c. each; 3 for 50c.

One plant of above 5 Grand Callas for $1.00.



Goliath

Our New Giant Seedlings.

The following Chrysanthemums are our own Seedlings and they are extra large and fine. Probably the best show varieties yet known. They are not only large but full and double to the very center, and as round as a ball.

Goliath—Goliath is a new sort of our production first offered last year. It is under all conditions the *largest Chrysanthemum known*. Under ordinary care its flowers are immense, but with special care its flowers will be larger than any other. Perfectly double to the center, beautiful shape and the brightest and finest yellow color. Growth quite dwarf and compact without the abnormally long stems.

Repeater—A new Pompon with blush tinted double blossoms in wonderful profusion and as the blossoms are cut new branches with buds come along so the blooming period is lengthened well into winter.

Globe Perfection, Pink—Enormous globe-shaped blossoms of wide incurved petals, full, double and exquisite pink.

Globe Perfection, White—Like the above but white.

Globe Perfection, Yellow—Fine bright yellow color, otherwise just like the pink.

Globe Perfection, Crimson—Rich, deep purple crimson.

These four Globe Perfections are alike in everything but color and are exceedingly fine.

20c. *each; the* 6 *for* $1.00.

New Ostrich Plume.

These are of the beautiful Ostrich Plume class.

Gold Ore—Rich old gold color, very hairy, double and fine.

Sea Shell—Beautiful pink; elegant.

Downy White—Exquisite pure white. Very feathery.

Plumy Gleam—Fine lemon yellow. Extra fine.

20c. each; the 4 for 60c.

Belfast.

The New Christmas-Flowering Chrysanthemum.

Of the largest size and a light pink color shading to cream. Is at its best about Christmas and New Year's. It comes into bloom after every other variety is through, is a good keeper and can be held on the plants for four weeks after they are in a salable condition. The originator has them for his Easter trade. Last spring he cut the last blooms April 11.

25c. *each*; *3 for* 60c.

Choice Chrysanthemum Seed.

Chrysanthemums are very easily grown from seed, and flower abundantly the first season. It is no trouble at all to grow them and they are sure to flower beautifully in Oct. and Nov. from spring sown seed. See page 38.

Extra Choice Mixed—Saved only from named sorts. Pkt., 20c.

Rare Chrysanthemums.

From the large list of new 'Mums we select the following recently introduced as being the most remarkable, distinct and beautiful. They are really marvels in their way.

Black Douglas — (Pompon) — Color almost black, while the tip of each petal shows a glint of gold, making the whole blossom appear as if sprinkled with gold dust.

Philadelphia — Flowers of enormous size, as round as a ball, pure white with a delicate shadowy tinge of lemon, giving the flower a peculiar transparent effect.

Wm. Simpson—The best pink and largest flower of its color. Flowers have been grown that measured 11 inches across. Early and a fine robust grower. Color a most exquisite shade of pink, of indescribable loveliness.

Uncle Sam — A fine large flower with long wavy petals of a rosy lilac color, striped and bordered with white. It is the finest and most distinctly striped variety.

Good Gracious, Pure White— Probably the very largest flower of any Chrysanthemum. As large as a man's hat and double to the very center. Petals quilled and irregular.

Good Gracious, Bright Yellow— Like the above except in color.

Good Gracious, Pink—Very fine indeed.

Jitsu Jetsu—Among the useful unique oddities is the White Jitsujetui, which is nothing but a big white Jap, done in miniature; the petals are like cords, arranged with incurving center, and horizontal outer florets. It is one of the most useful for arranging or massing, as it comes in sprays on long slender stems, and is like a fleece of snow.

15c. *each*; *the* 8 *for* 90c.

BABY POMPON.

2 Lovely Pompons.

Baby—Like little golden buttons, very double, perfect and borne in great masses. Bright yellow. No prettier variety than this.

Baby Margaret—Just like the above except color which is snow white. It is perfectly exquisite.

25c. *each*; *the two for* 40c.

"PIERSON" BOSTON FERN.

Boston Ferns.

The finest decorative plants in cultivation, and in addition to the well known standard variety, we are able to offer several new and most unique varieties. All are as robust, vigorous and easily grown as the original Boston Fern.

Boston Fern—(ORIGINAL)—Of all decorative plants for house culture, this is perhaps the most imposing and satisfactory. It is so hardy that it will stand and thrive in most any situation in a room even if out of the sun's rays. No Fern is so good in this respect. Plants form an immense number of graceful, drooping fronds, varying in length from two to five feet and always of a fresh, healthy, and beautiful green color. These fronds keep in perfect condition for years. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Scotti—This Fern is a decided acquisition and will undoubtedly take the place of the Boston Fern eventually. It is a dwarf, compact grower and has two or three times as many fronds as the Boston Fern. It makes symmetrical, handsome plants in either large or small sizes. If given space enough every plant can be made a beautiful specimen. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Pierson's Boston Fern—Immense wavy fronds, of the Ostrich Plume type, but longer and more beautifully feathered. It was first introduced three years ago and created a real sensation. Without doubt it is the most magnificent Fern grown, and possesses all the hardy, robust and easy growing qualities peculiar to the common Boston Fern, and all its varieties. We have a fine stock of very fine plants. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Pierson's Baby Boston Fern—A great novelty and a great beauty. Like Pierson Fern, only smaller in size and far more feathery and plume-like. It is perfectly exquisite. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

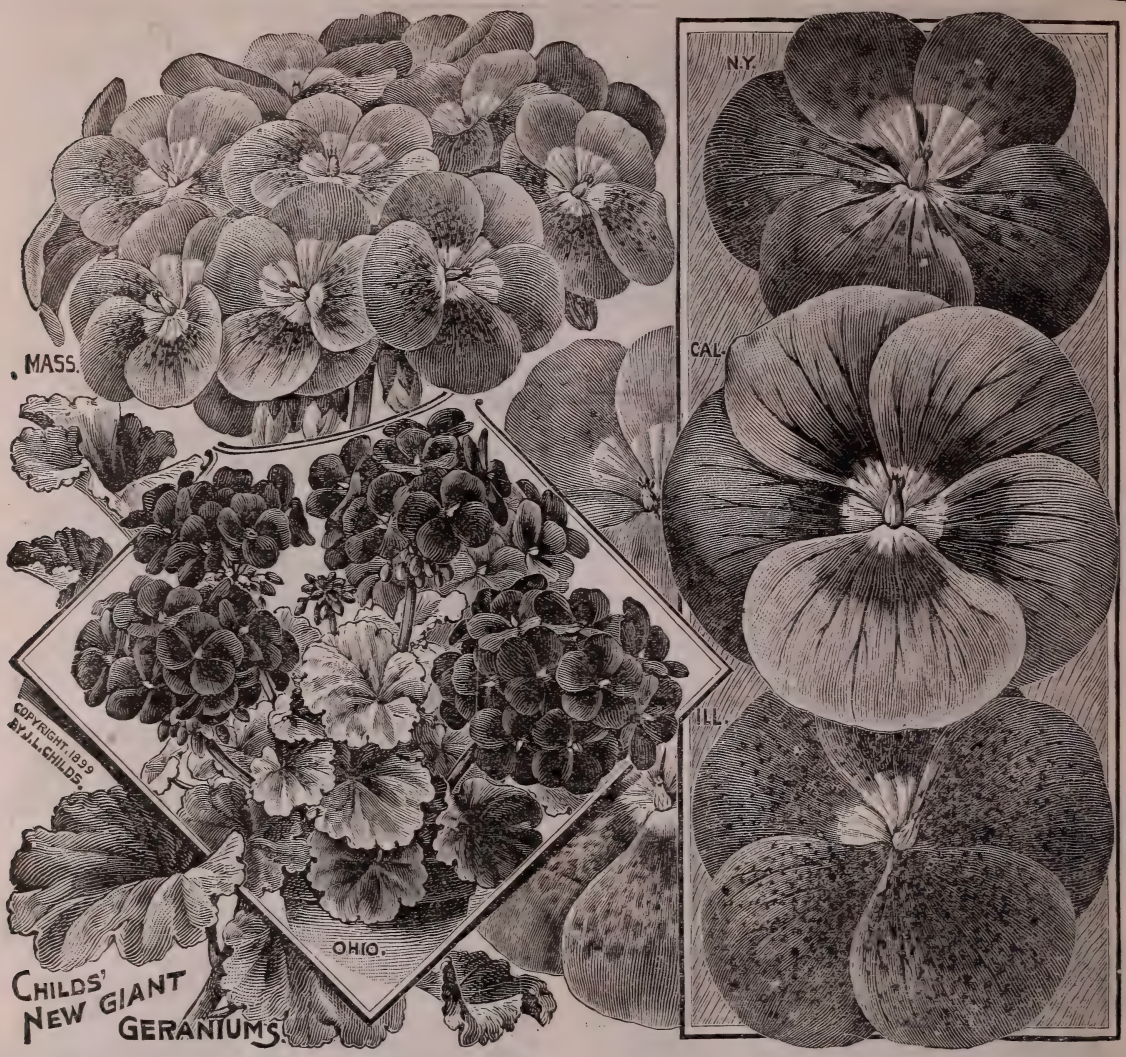
Superbissima—New; long dark green fronds in great clusters, each frond rolled, curled and crinkled in an odd and beautiful way. 30c. each.

2 Magnificent New Boston Ferns.

Amerpohlii—This to our mind is the most graceful and beautiful of all the Boston Ferns, and takes the place of the Japanese Fern Ball, being somewhat like it in habit of growth. It is so very much superior to the Fern Ball, and so well adapted to a hanging pot, that we have given up Fern Balls entirely and advise our friends to grow this magnificent sort. Fronds broad, finely cut and waved like Ostrich plumes. No other Fern frond so beautiful as this. 30c. each; 4 for $1.25.

Scholzeli—This is really a fine crested form of Scotti. Fronds erect with graceful arch. Makes a most beautiful plant at any size or stage of growth. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

One each of the 7 grand Ferns for only $1.25.



Childs' New Giant Flowered Perfection Geraniums.

These Geraniums are in their way most remarkable Novelties, for they show great improvement over sorts previously introduced, in habit, vigor, size and quality of bloom and radiant coloring. For several years they have been the admiration of all who have visited our conservatories. They were offered 4 years ago for the first time, after years of critical test, and we know just what they are. They have been carefully compared with the best new sorts of recent years, and in every point they show superiority. Habit compact, with large, healthy foliage. Flowers, perfect in shape; round, and sometimes beautifully cupped. Trusses immense, and the blooming qualities of the plant truly wonderful. But in color they are perfect marvels, showing combinations and brightness of tints hitherto unknown.

Massachusetts—Extraordinary size and beautifully colored. Exquisite pure pink with white rayed center, freely spotted or specked.

Indiana—Pure lilac-pink, slightly spotted. Large size.

Pennsylvania—Pure snow-white; best of its color.

Alabama—Deepest, darkest red; a grand and rich color.

Idaho—Bright rose color, center rayed white, and spotted.

Kansas—Intense orange-scarlet, each petal beautifully veined with a dark color.

New York—Enormous clusters of great substance; beautiful round flowers. Soft pink; perfectly exquisite.

Oregon—Flowers very large and perfectly magnificent. Orange-scarlet, clouded and mottled with pure white.

Tennessee—Extra large, round, perfect shape; bright crimson-pink. One of the very best.

Colorado—White, tinted violet-pink. A shade so delicate and shifting as to be perfectly exquisite.

New Jersey—White, tinted, veined and spotted.

Connecticut—Enormous flower, often measuring 2½ inches across. Leaves gigantic in size, with conspicuous dark zone. Color, intense scarlet.

Washington—Very curious, clusters of bloom branching, that is, 2 to 3 additional clusters will grow out of each main cluster. Color, fine pink, freely spotted.

Porto Rico—Brightest carmine. White shaded center. Extra large panicles.

Ohio—Flowers like a Pelargonium. Deep blood scarlet, veined black; upper petals rayed intense orange-scarlet. Largest known size.

Mrs. White—Pure snow-white, thickly spotted with crimson dots. Flower large and beautiful. This elegant Geranium was raised by one of our customers in England, from seed purchased from us. It is one of the most beautiful varieties in cultivation.

Blue Tint—This remarkable variety has a large flower of a distinct bluish tinge. Center rayed orange-scarlet.

John Lewis Childs—Color, pale, pearly-pink, heavily mottled and spotted with crimson. The background is a good light color and the spots bright and brilliant. It is one of the best spotted varieties known.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00. The 18 for $2.00.

GERANIUM SEED.

New Hybrids Large-Flowering—This is saved from such grand sorts as those offered above. It will produce magnificent varieties, probably many as good as those here named. It is the finest Geranium seed ever offered. Plants from seed bloom in a few months. Pkt. 20c.

Double Mixed—All colors. Extra fine. 30c. per pkt.

See page 40 for other Geranium Seed.

Flowering Rose Geraniums.

Mrs. Taylor—A distinct variety of the scented Geraniums with a strong rose fragrance, and large deep scarlet flowers of the Hybrid Perpetual class. Combines free flowering qualities with fragrant foliage. Very useful for summer cut flowers, and as a pot plant for winter cannot be surpassed.

Pink Sport—A fine sport from the above and just like it in every respect except color which is a charming pink—the two make a splendid combination.

25c. each; the 2 for 40c.

Giant Pelargoniums.

(*Lady Washington Geraniums*)

These new giant-flowered Pelargoniums are among the very finest novelties ever introduced at Floral Park. They are really remarkable for size and coloring, the delicate shades and markings being indescribable.

Hawaii—A splendid tinted white, with large, rich velvety maroon and rose splashed in upper petals. Extra large.

Luzon—Enormous size, round, wide-open shape; pure white with violet-maroon blotches. Quite new as to shape.

Marion—The same plants bear flowers of different colors. One cluster of bloom will be white marked with crimson, while another will be fine rose marked purple

Samoa—Very dark velvety crimson, shading on black. Exceedingly rich and in all respects a glorious new sort.

25c. each; the 4 for 80c.

New Double Ivy-Leaved

HYBRID GERANIUM, "CRACKERJACK."

This is the finest and in every way the most wonderful Geranium ever introduced. It is of our own origin and is a cross between a double ivy-leaved sort and the ordinary double kind and shows characteristics of both. Foliage somewhat like the Ivy-Leaved. Branches long and graceful but not of a trailing character, while the enormous double blossoms are of a delicate pink color with a big crimson blotch in each petal. Beautiful beyond expression. Sold last year at $1.00 each. Strong plants now 30c. each; 2 for 50c

Geranium Seed—For our superb California grown Geranium seed, double and single, see page 41. Geraniums grow splendidly from seed

GERANIUM "CRACKERJACK"

New Double Geraniums.

These are the finest double Geraniums yet introduced.

Sea Shell—New last year. Large double flower, very large truss, bright beautiful pink.

Volunteer—Violet crimson; large and fine.

Variegata—Foliage beautifully mottled and variegated white, green and cream-yellow. Flowers, bright scarlet, double and in big trusses. A vigorous grower and fine bedder.

Mammoth—Semi-double, intense orange-scarlet showy flowers. Very fine.

Mayflower—White, tinted pink. Very fine.

White Swan—Very floriferous. An extra fine pot Geranium, covered with large trusses of snow white flowers that are very double and perfect. Habit, short-jointed and bushy. Finest white.

Brilliancy—Light scarlet. Strong, robust and large.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; the 7 for $1.00.

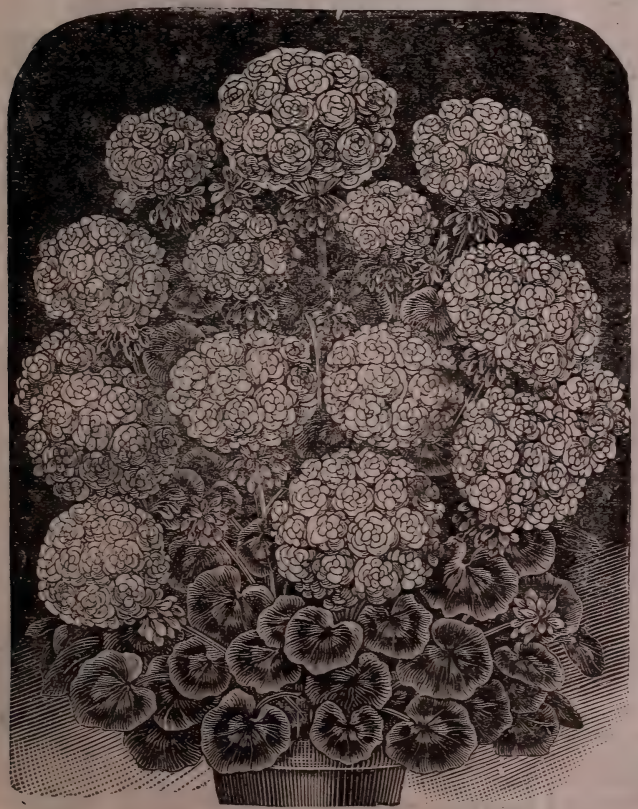
Rare Double Sorts.

Double John Lewis Childs—This splendid novelty is a double form of the famous single spotted variety of the same name. The plant is a vigorous grower and free bloomer. Clusters large, florets large and very double. The ground color is a beautiful pink thickly spotted with crimson.

Mrs. Langguth—Color of foliage, deep green, heavily striped with silvery white; the zone of the leaf is pure white. Large blossoms. Color, aniline-scarlet. The best silver-leaved sort.

Mrs. Parker—While the foliage is deep green with a broad border of pure white, the flower is perfectly double and of a clear bright pink, a combination novel and beautiful.

30c. each; the 3 for 75c.



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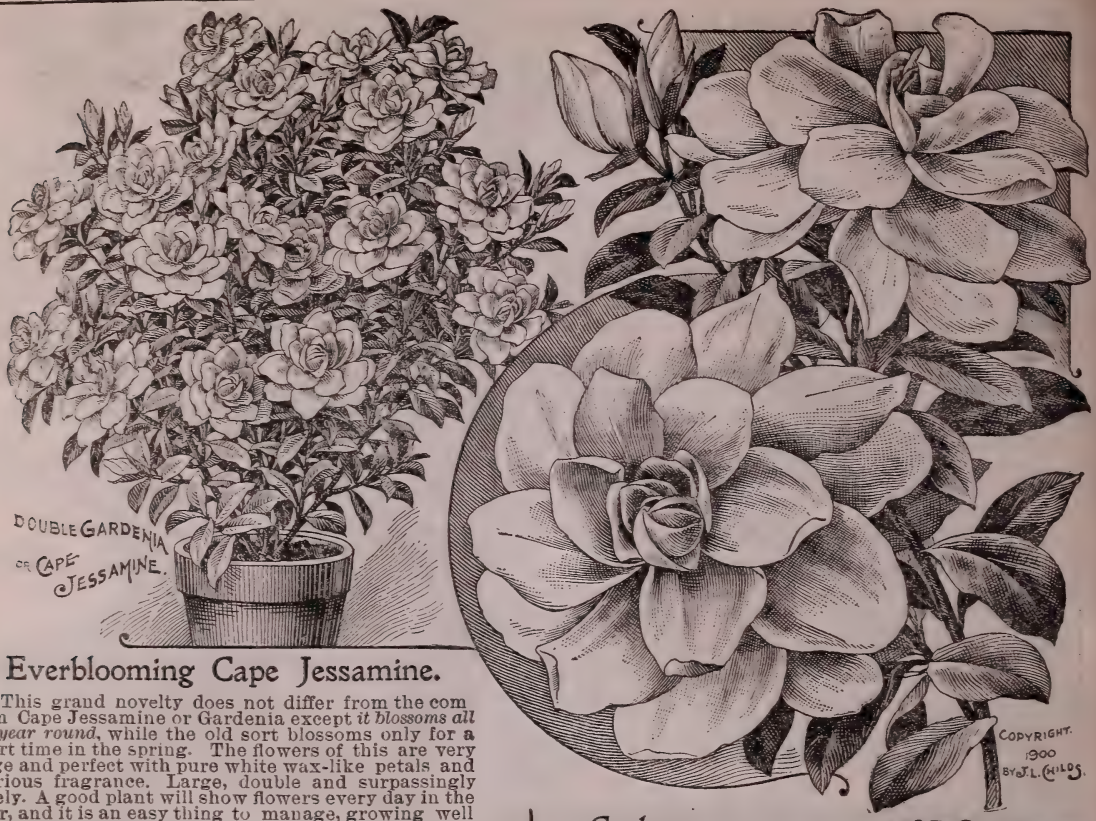


Everblooming Cape Jessamine.

This grand novelty does not differ from the common Cape Jessamine or Gardenia except *it blossoms all the year round*, while the old sort blossoms only for a short time in the spring. The flowers of this are very large and perfect with pure white wax-like petals and glorious fragrance. Large, double and surpassingly lovely. A good plant will show flowers every day in the year, and it is an easy thing to manage, growing well as a window plant. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Dwarf Cape Jessamine.

This very dwarf form of the grand old Cape Jessamine forms a most compact and bushy plant which is perfectly smothered in a profusion of snowy white wax-like blossoms like perfect Roses. Our cut of a cluster shows how thickly these lovely blossoms are set and how exceedingly charming they really are. They have the powerful fragrance of the Cape Jessamine. Very scarce and rare. 50c. each.

Sanseveria Zealanica.

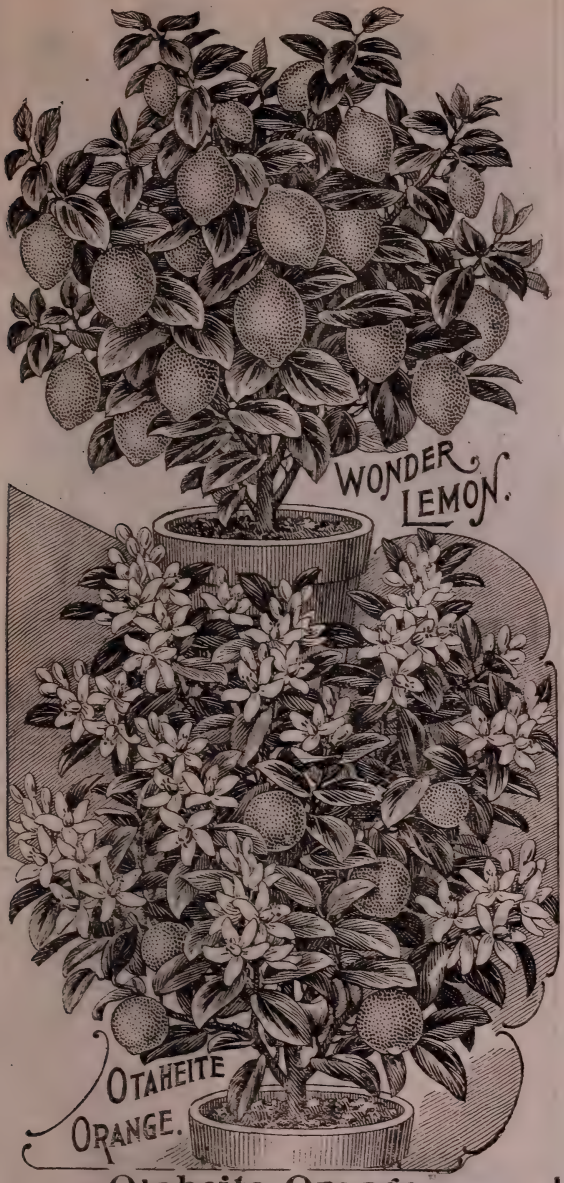
There is scarcely a decorative plant listed that is more striking in foliage and habit than this, and certainly none other that will stand as much downright neglect and hardship. It will grow in a dark hall, a cool bedroom, or stand on the mantel in a heated sitting-room. It will stand gas and dust, and will go for months without a drop of water, yet remain as thrifty as ever. Singularly beautiful, as well as easily grown. Erect, ridged, sword-like leaves, reaching a length of from four to six feet. The leaves are thick and fleshy, dark green color, with clouded bars of white. In May or June it sends up long, plumy spikes of soft feathery whiteness. Just the plant for sunless windows or halls, where nothing else will grow. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

True Irish Shamrock.

We are glad to be able to offer the true Shamrock, as so many spurious plants have been called Shamrock and sold as such. This stock is genuine and thoroughly acclimated, having been grown here several years. A very beautiful pot plant with dark chocolate and green foliage. Each stem with 4 to 5 leaves, like 4-leaf clover. A lovely foliage plant that attracts great attention. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Gerbera or Crimson Daisy.

This flowers both summer and winter, and makes a fine pot plant. The flower stems arise from the very crown of the plant at the surface of the soil to the height of two feet, and are exceedingly graceful, bearing a large, daisy-like blossom three or four inches across, and of a fine crimson color, with a velvety texture which makes it particularly beautiful. It blooms all winter in pots and in the open ground all summer. Particularly hardy in the open ground. One of the most graceful and showy flowers we have ever seen. Fine plants, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00. Seed, 10c. per pkt.



Otaheite Orange.

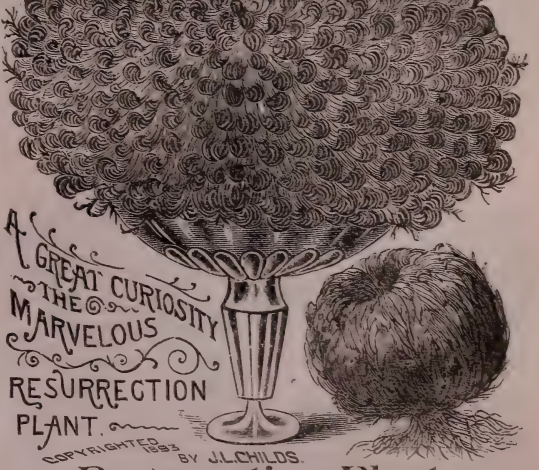
An extra fine pot plant, with glossy leaves, the true fragrant Orange blooms and abundant little bright oranges that will hang on the little bush like balls of gold for six months after they are ripe. They will bloom and fruit in a two-inch pot; and we have seen a plant in a common window that was but 15 inches high and had 25 oranges on it. With good sunlight they are never out of fruit from one year's end to another and at least two-thirds of the time are in flower also. The fruit is very sweet and handsome. Could we have but one plant in our window it would be an Otaheite Orange. In beauty, grace and fragrance there is nothing like the delicate, leafy sprays of bloom, so exquisite, dainty, lovely and adorable. Fine plants for blooming and fruiting at once. 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Extra large 40c. each.

Wonder Lemon.

A Lemon that can be as easily grown in pots as a Geranium and which produces fruit weighing from one to three pounds each. These enormous fruits are borne on plants one to two feet high growing in 5 or 6 inch pots. It is everbearing and its fruit is delicious for lemonade and culinary purposes. It makes a beautiful specimen plant for the house. Has large deep green leaves and pure, waxy-like flowers that are fragrant as Orange blossoms. The enormous lemons have a thin rind and are full of acid juice. Will thrive in any good soil, either indoors or out. 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Extra large 40c. each.

Lily-of-the Valley Plant.

A beautiful new plant of trailing or creeping habit, being best adapted for hanging pots or baskets. It has beautiful heart-shaped leaves and branches freely, growing in most fine symmetrical form. It is in bloom all the time, the pendulous blossoms appearing at the axils of the leaves and are bell-shaped, pure white, and about the size, form and color of Lily-of-the-Valley. As a specimen pot or basket flower to be suspended in the window it is the finest thing of the sort we have everseen. Grows very rapidly and makes a lovely plant in a short time. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Resurrection Plant.

A ball of tightly folded leaflets, dry and dead. Drop it in a bowl of water and in a short time there is a great, loose, expanded rosette of fine fern-like leaves both odd and beautiful. This can be repeated many times, the plant curling tightly together when dry, expanding when soaked. 10c.

Childs' Anniversary Salvia.

This is a new, very dwarf form of Salvia Splendens which is so dwarf and compact, and its flowers so large and numerous that it is the most brilliant bedding or pot plant yet known. Unlike other Salvias it flowers all summer long, from May until frost, making a carpet or mass of the brightest color yet seen. As a pot plant it is a solid bouquet of bloom all the fall, winter and spring. Fine flowering plants, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00; 25 for $2.00; 100 for $7

Mayflower Verbena.

For full description see page 24. This glorious Verbena is a magnificent pot or bedding plant, and we can supply strong cutting plants of fine select stock, ready to bud and blossom, at 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00; 100 for $7.00.

Climbing Lantana.

Evergreen and Everblooming.

Can one imagine a more novel plant than a rapid growing climbing Lantana? Graceful in habit, beautiful in bloom and a fine window, conservatory, or garden plant. Although it begins blooming when only a few inches in height it will climb five or six feet in a season, and in a conservatory or in the open ground in the Southern or Pacific states it will reach a height of 20 feet in two or three years. It lacks all appearance of coarseness, and in both foliage and vine it is at all times graceful, pretty and evergreen. It has a great wealth of bloom, the large, dainty-colored clusters being lilac pink with a pure white center. It is one of the most charming pot vines for windows we ever saw and is a splendid garden vine for summer, and never out of bloom.

Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Oleander.

What home is complete without its tub of Oleander? A very attractive plant that can be grown in almost any soil or situation, kept growing all the year, or rested in the cellar. Its dark green, willow-like foliage is in itself neat and pleasing; but when it blooms it is beautiful beyond expression with its many large, delicate satin-like flowers.

Pink—Large blossoms of fine rosy pink. Very double.
White—Magnificent large snow-white double blossoms.
Crimson—Fine deep crimson-red. Extra.
Yellow—Large and very beautiful.

Price, 35c. each; the four for $1.25.

EUPHORBIA

Euphorbia Jacquiniflora.

As a winter bloomer this plant has no superior. No matter how small a plant may be it is bound to be full of bloom all winter long. Color, intense crimson-scarlet, and blossoms are produced so profusely as to completely wreathe every branch in brilliancy. Flowers keep perfect two months before fading. Fine plants, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Eucharis Amazonica.

If there is a purer, sweeter, or more exquisitely beautiful flower than this we have never had the good fortune to see it. It is a bulbous plant, throwing up tall spikes on which are borne several very large, star-shaped flowers of the purest waxy whiteness and unexcelled fragrance. For chaste beauty it has no peer, and is a plant that is as rare as it is beautiful, and we are fortunate in being able to offer large flowering bulbs at only 25c. each; 3 for 60c. Blooms about Easter.

Double Chinese Hibiscus.

Where can we find a more striking plant than this with its glossy leaves and huge flaming flowers of satin-like texture? Summer or winter, it is always budding and blooming and if it becomes too large for the window, can be wintered in the cellar. Pots of Hibiscus are extra fine for piazza or balcony, and for bedding out in summer.

Peachblow—This is one of the finest plant novelties offered in recent years. The flowers are double, and from four to five inches in diameter; of a charming, rich, clear pink color, with a small, deep crimson center; an entirely new and most beautiful shade; it blooms abundantly and continuously, even in small plants.

Auriantica—Very large double orange-yellow. Makes a fine contrast with Peachblow and Minneatus.

Minneatus—As gorgeous and fine as the best Peony and fully as large. Bush blooms when but a foot high. Blossoms a burning crimson, very double.

Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Seed—Splendid mixture of all Chinese Hibiscus. 10c. per pkt. Seedlings grow rapidly and bloom quickly.

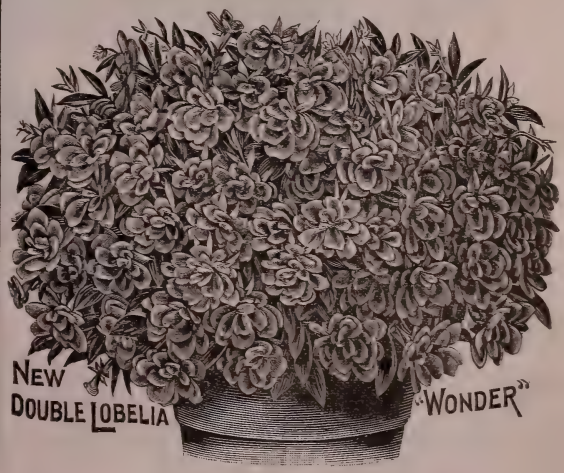
New Hydrangea Sea Shell.

A splendid new color in the glorious old Hydrangea Hortense. This produces very large blossoms which run less to blue, and more to a most exquisite soft sea-shell pink. It also blooms more freely than the old form and flowers appear on very small plants. A really fine thing. 25c. each.

Olea Fragrans, (Fragrant Olive.)

A most glorious everblooming pot plant.

This is the sweetest flower that blooms, belongs to the Olive family and is a perpetual bloomer, never without flowers, either summer or winter, though the plant may not be a foot in height. The flowers are small, creamy white and borne in clusters. Each individual blossom, though no larger than the head of a shawl-pin, has more sweetness than the largest and most fragrant Lily. Its fragrance is also delicate and charming, really the finest of all flowers, and you cannot pass a plant without noticing it. It succeeds well in any window. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.



Double Lobelia Wonder.

This new double flowered Lobelia is truly a wonderful novelty. It is useless to say how many large double blossoms a plant will show at one time, for no one would believe it. Actually a good sized plant is one solid bouquet of the most elegant blue blossoms we ever saw, as many as 300 showing at one time. As a pot plant for window culture it is one of the very finest things ever introduced and a perpetual bloomer, both summer and winter. As a bedding plant it is equally valuable, standing sun and drouth and showing a great profusion of blossoms all the time.

Fine Plants for blooming at once. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00.

Seed—Fine seed of double mixed colors, 10c. per pkt.

New Double Monarch Primroses.

The Monarch Primroses are really the most satisfactory pot plants it is possible to have, blooming continually at all times and in all situations. We are glad to be able to offer a new double strain, not differing in any way from the single, except the flowers are large and double, beautifully fringed and of various colors. It is one of the greatest novelties we ever introduced. Fine plants, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00. Seed, 25c. per pkt.

Obconica or Monarch Primroses.

These are the new large-flowering Obconica-Sinensis Hybrids of various colors, as large and fine as Primula Sinensis. Colors, pink, violet, blush, rose, lilac, white, etc. Very charming flowers, being borne in large trusses, and at all times of the year in great profusion. They bloom very quickly from seed, and the large showy blossoms are borne constantly for a year, and when we realize that these flowers are as large as P. Sinensis, and almost as varied in colors, their great value is at once apparent. Plants very vigorous and easily grown as a Geranium.

Seed—All colors mixed, 15c. per pkt.
Plants Mixed—Fine healthy stock, ready to bloom. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.
Purity—Extra large and fine. Pure white.
Ruby—Rich deep crimson.
Gigantea—Light rose, slightly striped darker. Extra large and fine fimbriated flower.
Sea Shell—Bright deep pink.
Tinted Queen—Extra large fimbriated flower, beautifully and delicately tinted blush. A superb sort.

Above superb named sorts, 25c. each; the 5 for $1.00.

Sweet Violets.

The flower of sentiment and song, and ever the symbol of modest worth.

Swanley White—In pots it grows luxuriantly, and is loaded with flowers. In the garden it is hardy with slight protection, and greets us in early spring with a profusion of its large, snowy, sweet-scented blossoms. A plant will often have fifty flowers open at once.
Alaska—A grand new sort, well adapted to garden culture, being hardy and robust, and producing in spring great masses of enormous double flowers of a deep blue-black color and powerful fragrance.
Belle de Brunneau—The most magnificent double Violet ever introduced. Large flowers, long stems, deepest, richest violet color, and unsurpassed fragrance.

15c. *each; the 3 for 40c.; $1.00 per dozen.*

Acacia Baileyiana.

A most superb flowering Acacia suitable for growing in pots. Nothing more beautiful. With its large plumes of charming yellow blossoms. 25c. each.

VIOLET, SWANLEY WHITE.

Phœnix Roebelini.

The newest, and in every respect the finest and the most beautiful Palm grown, with the most graceful and beautiful foliage, and it is the hardiest and most easily grown of all Palms, and just the one that will succeed in any window. Nothing can surpass it as a decorative plant. Finest Palm for outdoor culture in the Southern or Pacific States. The whole world has gone wild over it, and it has recently sold as high as $100. We have the only large stock of it in America. Fine 3 year old plants, $1 00 each. 2 year old, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Filifera Palm.

Filifera Palm.

One of the best window Palms, needing no petting to succeed. Stands dust and dry air, and lack of sunshine, and is very ornamental with its elegantly fan-shaped leaves of a rich, dark leathery green, picturesquely fringed with long thread-like filaments along the segments of the leaves. The plant is a compact grower well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will make a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a center in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00. Seed 10c. per pkt.

Palm Seed—We can supply Palm seed, about a dozen varieties mixed, at 20c. per pkt.

Streptosolen Amabilis Magnifica.

Most profuse bloomer of all pot plants.

Absolutely the finest and freest-flowering pot plant in cultivation. It is not only in bloom every day in the year, but is full of bloom all the time. How a plant can support such a wealth of flowers day after day, week after week, month after month and year after year is a mystery. The plant is entirely new and one of the easiest pot and window plants to grow that it is possible to find. It flowers from the time the plants leave the cutting bed, no matter how small. Flowers large, and of a rich dark-blue color that is very attractive. It is, in fact, the best, and almost the only blue-flowering pot plant that is of easy culture and continuous flowering. It is one of the finest pot plants known. Seed, 15c. per pkt.

Plants, ready to begin blooming, 20c. each: 3 for 50c.

Vriesia Splendens.

A rare and exceedingly odd and beautiful window plant which is easily grown and delights in shade and a cool window. The long gracefully curled leaves are dark green with black zebra-like crossbars. Flowers on a tall scape which is of a most intense brilliant crimson scarlet, shading into green tints. Perfectly superb. 30c. each.

Childs' Great Roses.

We grow and offer but few Roses, but these few are the cream of all. If not so cheap as some it is because they are FINE PLANTS, well established, and expensive new varieties that are superior to any formerly known. The sorts here offered are immense.

W. R. SMITH.

7 Superb Everbloomers.

These are all elegant large blossoms of the finest quality and beautiful colors.

Wm. R. Smith—H. T,—A seedling from *Kaiserinx Maman Cochet*. This grand summer bedder has beautiful glossy foliage close set and firm, quite like that of Cochet in appearance and durability; very vigorous in growth with flowers of a fine size and heavy texture; color creamy white with shadings of pink. Succeeds admirably in the open ground, bearing fine blooms on long stiff stems, and hardy with light protection.

Rosemary—A beautiful rose of shining silvery pink, recommended for bedding. Very large and very double; a sturdy grower with stiff stems and large foliage; flowers freely produced, of exquisite form.

Tinted Gold—A most beautiful large cupped blossom, pure snow-white, with a center richly tinted with gold. In size and beauty itis one of the grandest Tea Roses, if not the very finest yet introduced. Free and robust grower, and a prodigious bloomer. One of the finest novelties we ever offered, and the best white Rose.

Winter Gem—A Tea Rose of remarkably strong and vigorous growth, and a prodigious bloomer all the year. It flowers all the time, particularly during winter, hence its name. The blossoms are borne on long graceful stems, are of large size, and a lovely crimson-pink color. Buds perfectly exquisite, and the open flower full and double. It is the strongest, hardiest, most vigorous and rapid growing Tea Rose in cultivation. One plant of it will produce more good Roses in a year than 12 plants of any other Tea Rose grown. The plant will bloom continually, and nothing but killing it outright will check it. The blossoms are singularly beautiful in shape, color and poise, and most deliciously scented. It is so strong and vigorous that it never mildews, and is a rapid grower, blooming at once from small plants.

La Detroit—A new Rose of remarkable coloring and beauty. A beautiful shell pink, shading in the center to light rose. Reverse of petals a creamy flesh tint, shading to silvery toward the base,and decidedly opalescent. Very rich, and a free bloomer: large double flower borne in endless profusion.

General McArthur — Another grand Tea Rose, and the deepest, brightest colored one yet seen. Color so bright and intense as to rival a vivid crimson Tulip. Fine for both open ground and pot culture, and a free constant bloomer.

Killarney—One of the most popular of our garden Roses; and also one of the leading varieties for winter cut flowers. It is perfectly hardy in this latitude; in growth it is strong and robust, and as free-flowering as any Rose we know. In color it is a sparkling, brilliant, imperial pink; the blooms are large, the buds long and pointed, the petals very large and of great substance, and just as handsome in the full-blown flower as in the bud form.

20c. *each*; 3 *for* 50c.; *the* 7 *for* $1.00.

BABY RAMBLER.

New Baby Ramblers.

Most profuse and satisfactory of all pot or bedding roses for general cultivation.

Crimson Baby Rambler—This Rose is a dwarf everblooming Crimson Rambler, bearing great clusters of bright crimson double blossoms all the year round, just as Crimson Rambler does in June. It is really valuable as a pot or garden Rose and blooms profusely summer, winter, spring and fall. Freshly rooted cutting plants when only a few inches high begin to bear most beautiful clusters of bloom, and as the plant grows larger it becomes a marvelous bouquet of beautiful foliage and bright flowers as shown in our cut. Perfectly hardy in the open ground where it blooms all the time, and as a pot plant it will produce 25 flowers to one of any other sort. It is the greatest Rose novelty since Crimson Rambler andthe most satisfactory pot or bedding variety in cultivation.

White Baby Rambler—This does not differ from the above except in color which is purest snow white, and perfectly magnificent.

Pink Baby Rambler—Like the crimson but a fairly good pink color.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

ETOILE DE FRANCE.

MRS. AARON WARD.

Grandest New Roses.

The following is the cream of all recent Everblooming Hybrid Tea Roses.

Etoile de France—The gold medal Rose of France, and claimed by the raiser, J. Pernet Ducher, of Lyons, France, to be the finest Rose he has ever sent out. We believe with him that it has no superior. The flowers are very large and borne on good, long, stiff stems; color a lovely shade of clear, red-crimson velvet; very fragrant and keeps well. 50c. each.

White Killarney—A sport from the glorious pink Killarney and just like it in every respect except color. Pure snow white. One of the grandest Roses that ever bloomed. 30c. each.

Dean Hole—The flowers are large, of great substance and fine form; color, silvery carmine shaded salmon, absolutely distinct and by far the finest in its color. It was recently voted by a large majority of representative Rose growers in England to be one of the three most popular Roses in that country. 25c. each.

Mrs. David Jardine (H. T.)—A glorious and most charming Rose quite distinct from any existing variety. The color is a delightful shade of bright rosy pink shading to salmon pink on the outer petals. Has that powerful perfume which made La France so popular. 40c. each.

Mrs. Aaron Ward—A most vigorous grower of free branching habit, with fine bronzy foliage; long buds borne on ridgid erect stems, flowers very large and full, of fine elongated cupped form; color Indian yellow, occasionally washed with salmon rose. This magnificent variety will certainly prove one of the best yellows among the hybrid-teas. It is the most beautiful color we ever saw in any rose. The freedom with which its blooms are produced, combined with their long lasting qualities will render it most valuable as an exhibition rose, and highly appreciated for floral and decorative work. 50c. each.

The Sensational Hardy Climbing Rose Novelty

"Thousand Beauties."

We have tried in our cut of this wonderful rose to convey some adequate idea of the surpassing beauty and novelty of this great Novelty, a robust growing perpetual hardy Climbing Rose, which stands any climate and does not mildew or winter kill. It blooms for a period of about two months, producing great clusters of elegant double blossoms which are practically all different in color. From white to deep crimson with all intermediate shades and tints of rose, pink, blush, yellow, orange, etc., show in the same cluster of bloom. Can one imagine anything more beautiful or novel A fine sort to grow in conjunction with Crimson Rambler and the new Blue Rose, (a hardy climber) offered on next page. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

3 Grand Hardy Climbing Roses.

Nothing among hardy climbers like these three sorts.

Crimson Rambler—This will grow 8 to 10 feet in a season, the flowers appearing in great panicles as large as a man's hat, and of a deep, rich crimson color, like blood-colored velvet. The flowers, when cut, last two weeks in water and fully a month on the bush, which is a perfect mass of rich crimson at all times. It can be grown in various ways, as a pillar Rose, as a trellis Rose and for covering a wall it has no equal, and when pegged down it will form a bed of itself. Cut back, it is a magnificent pot Rose for the window.

Dorothy Perkins—This grand new hardy climber grows 10 to 15 feet in a season, blooms in immense clusters like the Crimson Rambler, but the blooms are more double and of a beautiful shell-pink color passing to clear deep rose, makes large pointed buds and is really superior to Crimson Rambler, blooming at the same time and making a striking contrast in color.

Loralee—A hardy yellow climber of great beauty. Flowers borne in clusters like the Ramblers, fine size, perfect form and double, while the color is a bright, clear lemon yellow. It is a strong vigorous grower and as hardy in any climate as any rose that ever grew. It is really the greatest of Rose novelties, and it is the first good yellow hardy climbing variety to be offered.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

PERPETUAL BLOOMING

Magnificent New Rose Perpetual Blooming

Crimson Rambler.

This is indeed a great novelty. A sport from the grand Crimson Rambler and just like it in every respect, and one that produces its great clusters of brilliant flowers, not alone in June, but all the summer and fall as well. It is a rapid grower, the vines covering a large space in a comparatively short time, and the great bunches of glowing crimson blossoms hanging in profusion at all times. It starts blooming very early in the season and continues to flower until late in the autumn. A further advantage is that it flowers profusely on the young wood in the first year. Certainly one of the greatest things ever introduced. Strong plants, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

The Blue Rose, (Violet-blue.)

The newest climbing rose. A violet blue seedling from Crimson Rambler. This is a distinct novelty in the rose-world and is along the lines in which rosarians have been long striving to make progress. This new climbing rose surpasses all others of recent introduction in having a pure blue color. The flowers appear in large clusters, after the manner of the Crimson Rambler. Upon first opening the color is partly bright red and partly bright rose, turning soon to a steel blue. The color is best described by saying that it resembles that of early violets. It is a strong grower, has shining green foliage and few thorns. It has not been troubled by mildew and is classed among the hardiest climbing roses, withstanding the winters everywhere. Strong plants, 60c. each; 2 for $1.00.

The 10 Grandest Hardy Flowering Shrubs.

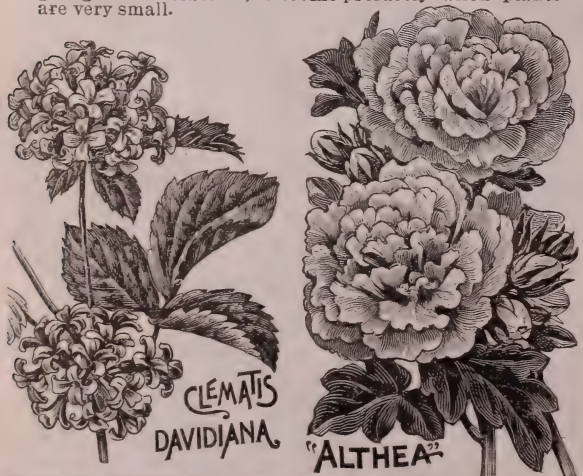
Nothing can take the place of Shrubbery for the lawn, for hedges and specime clumps. Shrubs thriven in any situation, are beautiful all summer, producing some of the choicest out-door blossoms. The list here offered is a select one, including only the very finest and most desirable new or rare and choice sorts.

PRICE—All Shrubs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; or $1.50 per dozen. Extra large specimens by express (too large to mail,) 30c. each; $2.50 per dozen.

Azalea Mollis—(HARDY)—Among the rarest and choicest of all garden flowers. Great flaming masses of bloom are produced by these new Hardy Azaleas, making a show the glory of which one cannot describe. Suffice it to say that the blossoms are often larger than the hot-house Azaleas, and more brilliant and flory in colors, scarlet, red, orange, yellow, pink, etc., often flamed and variegated in a lovely manner. Perfectly hardy anywhere in the U. S. and the most brilliant flowering shrub known.

Azalea Amnoea—A lovely hardy evergreen Azalea with beautiful foliage, and fine compact bushy growth, In May or June the plants are densely covered with rich violet-red blossoms, which are exceedingly showy. Every leaf and twig is hidden by the quantity of flowers.

Azalea Amonea Superba—This is as hardy as an oak and the most profuse flowering shrub ever seen, its mass of intense color making a great effect. The new Superba differs from the older variety in no way except color. This is quite distinct, being of a purple crimson instead of a violet red, We can recommend it as a shrub that will give great satisfaction, Blooms profusely when plants are very small.



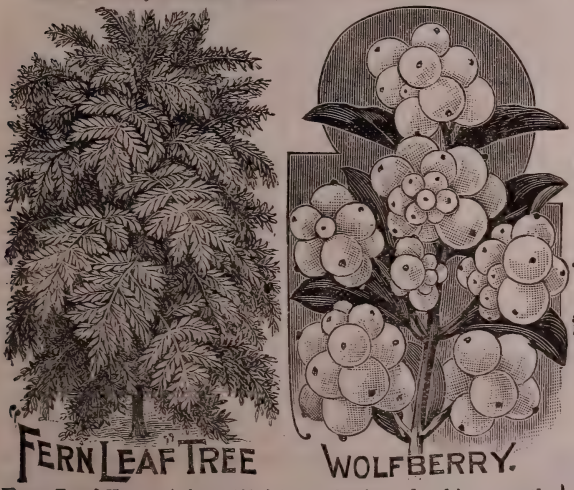
Clematis Davidiana—(BUSH CLEMATIS)—This is a lovely species of Clematis growing in a bush form three or four feet high, and yielding through the summer great panicles of lovely blue flowers, which are exceedingly handsome and very fragrant. The foliage is large and luxuriant, and the plant is, all in all, one of exceptional beauty. It is perfectly hardy in any locality.

Althea—A fine tall-growning shrub, that once planted is good for a lifetime. Blooms when but a slip of a plant, but eventually reaches the size of a small tree. Always a symmetrical upright grower, well clothed with a dark green foliage, and bears every year, without fail, a profusion of large, showy double flowers that closely resemble Hollyhocks in shape and colors, but often larger in size. They bloom from midsummer untill frost, at a time when few other shrubs are in bloom. Fine for cemetery planting or for growing upon the lawn. In Europe this is the most popular of all flowering shrubs.

Deutzia Lemoinei—This is the greatest recent novelty in flowering shrubs. It makes a low compact bush which in June is loaded down with large, round, snowball-like clusters of pure white flowers. We know of nothing more beautiful for the garden, yet it has the added merit of being a grand pot plant for winter blooming. It is not too large for a pot and blossoms very finely at any time during winter. It is becoming very popular for Easter.

HYDRANGEA PANICULATA

Hydrangea Paniculata—Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in midsummer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten to twelve inches long and nearly as thick through and last for two or three months, turning pinkish towards the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer.



Fern Leaf Tree—A beautiful tree of a low shrubby growth making a superb large foliage shrub. Its leaves are like beautiful fern fronds, so finely laciniated and graceful, often two feet in length by ten inches in width. Color very dark green while the stems are dark ebony red. It also bears large branches of red berries, and in autumn the leaves color very brightly at the touch of frost. It is one of the very finest ornamental shrubs in cultivation. It is hardy and robust and succeeds in any situation. As a specimen shrub or small tree it is grand.

Flowering Privet—A very profuse bloomer, pure white, with handsome foliage.

Spirea Froebeli—A glorious new Spirea surpassing Anthony Waterer as it is more dwarf, and broader in general effect. Flowers in immense flat cymes and very brilliant red in color and borne in such profusion and gives a fine glow of color even at a distance. One of the very finest new things.

Wolfberry—Of dwarf, low branching habit, forming a dense globular bush with fine glaucous foliage and pink blossoms. Its special beauty however is in its great crop of beautiful round snow white berries which last well into the winter. Highly ornamental.

SPIREA ANTHONY WATERER.

Spirea Anthony Waterer—A perpetual bloomer, and suitable either for garden or pots. It is of a dwarf habit, flowering profusely when only a few inches in height, and at all times and seasons. The flowers are of a lovely dark crimson-red color, borne in dense clusters, and have a peculiar feathery appearance which is beautiful.

Weigelia Eva Rathke—A grand New Everblooming Weigelia, producing great quantities of blooms all the season, in magnificent clusters on the terminal branches. Color, deep, rich, blood red, the finest color yet seen among Weigelias. A very valuable novelty and the finest all around flowering shrub.

Weigelia Rosea Variegata—Leaves light green heavily variegated with a creamy yellow, making a charming effect, but when its myriads of long, tubular, rose-colored blossoms are out, bending every branch to the ground, we see one of the most magnificent flowers in cultivation. Do not miss it.

One each of these 14 finest shrubs grown for only $2.00.

The Snowball Hydrangea.

Finest of all Hardy Flowering Shrubs.

This might be called a perpetual blooming Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora. It is certainly superior to that grand old sort, in that it begins blooming in May or June and continues in great profusion until frost, while the old variety only begins to bloom in August or September. The flowers of the Snowball Hydrangea are pure snow white, the clusters almost as round as a ball and as large as a man's hat. The effect of such a glorious plant on one's lawn or in the garden in full bloom all summer and fall can be judged by our illustration. It is easily the grandest decorative flowering plant for outside ever introduced. In addition to its flowers the foliage is also beautiful, clean and healthy. The plant is perfectly hardy anywhere out-of-doors and blooms finely the first year, no matter how small the plant may be. The bush grows to a considerable size and produces hundreds of its magnificent clusters of bloom every year. Do not miss it by any means. 30c. each; 3 for 75c.

3 Grand Evergreens.

Splendid hardy shrubs of great beauty, and so dwarf and compact that they make splendid pot plants.

Biota Monumentalis—Upright growth; a perfect column. Richest and darkest green foliage, soft and plume-like.

Biota Compacta Superba—Very dwarf and of perfect symmetrical form. Foliage a lovely golden green, tipped and burnished with golden bronze during winter.

Biota Aurea Compacta—Foliage when fully exposed is a bright gold color. The very brightest of all golden leaved Evergreens. Splendid compact habit.

30c. each; the 3 for 75c. Mail size.

New Flowering Privet, Dr. Riegel.

A superb flowering Privet producing large clusters of pure white tubular-shaped blossoms in great profusion. The flowers are also very fragrant, and when in bloom a bush is like a sheet of snow, and the delicious perfume carries a long way. Perfectly hardy anywhere and makes a magnificent hedge by trimming. As a specimen bush it is also superb. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 10 for $1.00; 25 for $2.00.

New Golden Privet.

A most ornamental hedge or pot plant. It is like the common Privet except most of the leaves are golden yellow, or variegated, green and yellow. It is hardy and robust and as its leaves remain on all winter it is doubly useful and gives fine color effects. As a pot plant, or specimen for the lawn it is also fine and surpasses all other golden leaved plants. It is certainly a beauty and will greatly please everyone. 20c. each: 3 for 50c.: 10 for $1.00; 25 for $2.00.

Privet for Hedges.

Nothing makes so fine a hedge as the California Privet, which is perfectly hardy and almost evergreen as its beautiful bright shining dark green leaves do not drop until nearly spring. Set plants 1 to 2 feet apart and trim to any length desired. Hedge will be so dense that a chicken can hardly get through it. Beautiful and neat at all times. Will grow to any height desired from 1 foot to 15. Fine stock 12 to 18 inches, 60c. per doz.; $4.00 per 100; $30 per 1000.

PRIVET FOR BORDERS AND HEDGES.

Best Hardy Flowering Vines.

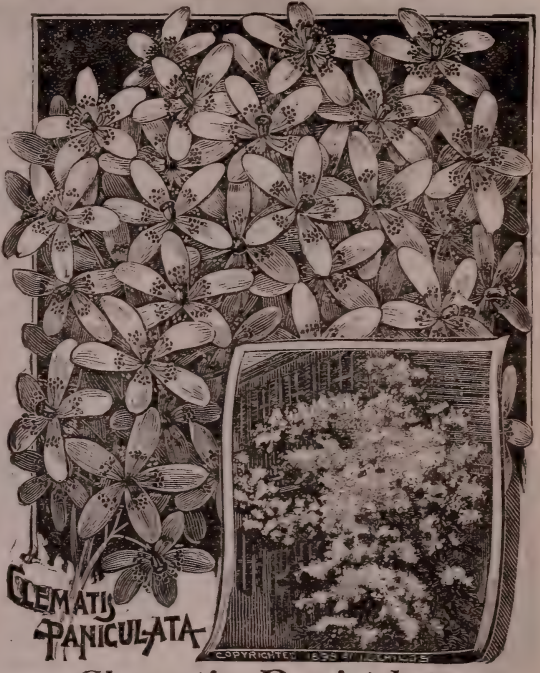
Wistaria, Perpetual Blooming.

This Wistaria will actually bloom all summer, from May to September. It is also of remarkably clean, healthy foliage, and a very rapid and graceful grower. In beauty of growth it is far ahead of any other sort; its clean foliage and numerous slender branches, drooping everywhere, add greatly to the charm of the blossoms. These are produced in horizontal or upright clusters, many appearing on each branch in close proximity to each other. The vine is a rapid grower, reaching 15 to 20 feet in a season, and is without an equal for screening, or festooning buildings, verandas, summer-houses, old trees, or fences. Flowers blue, and borne profusely, even on small cutting plants. 30c. each.

Sinensis Magnifica—Clusters of lovely blue flowers produced in great masses. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.

Clematis Coccinea.

A graceful festooning vine of elegant appearance. Bears a profusion of shining coral-scarlet buds and flowers all summer. Blossoms bell-shaped, very bright and beautiful. Fine for decorating. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Clematis Paniculata.

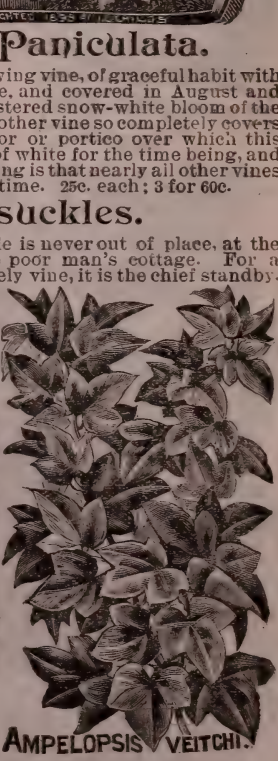
Clean, thrifty, robust growing vine, of graceful habit with attractive glossy green foliage, and covered in August and September with a sheet of clustered snow-white bloom of the most delicious fragrance. No other vine so completely covers itself with flowers. An arbor or portico over which this Clematis is trained is a wall of white for the time being, and what makes it the more striking is that nearly all other vines have ceased blooming at the time. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Honeysuckles.

The dear old Honeysuckle is never out of place, at the rich man's mansion or the poor man's cottage. For a cheap, hardy, robust, yet lovely vine, it is the chief standby.

Golden Leaved—Marvelously effective. It bears innumerable sprays of the most perfect little leaves that are covered with a net-work of gold and green, often marked with pink also. The gold deepens at the tip of the sprays and there is nothing finer to combine with corsage bouquets, while for trimming floral baskets they are the finest things we know of. Blossoms pure white.

Halliana—The best white monthly Honeysuckle, with dark green foliage, which keeps fresh and green nearly all winter, and beautiful clusters of the sweet-scented flowers that open a snowy white and turn a pale yellow. These flowers are produced in profusion from early spring to late fall. A fine vine for a trellis, or veranda.



20c. each; the 2 for 35c.; $1.50 per dozen.

Ampelopsis Veitchi.

The best wall climber. Clings tightly by suckers thrown out along the stems to brick, stone, etc., and is a wall of living green the summer through, turning in autumn to a flaming crimson, when it is fairly gorgeous. It stands the dust and dry air of cities admirably. Nothing else can take its place. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

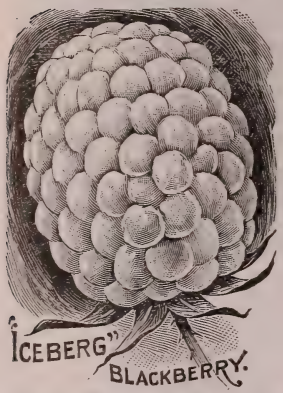
The Fruit Garden is an indispensable part of any rural home. It is a delight, a satisfaction, a convenience, a profit, and a source of the most bouutiful and delicious food supply any family can have. Beginning with the Strawberry in May, the supply is never exhausted until the last winter apples are used in May or June.

4 Great Blackberries.

The following Blackberries are the best we have ever grown.

Blewer's Giant—This remarkable new sort throws up canes as high as 14 feet, 8220 quarts of fruit to the acre and as many as 2694 berries on a single bush. $744.00 worth of berries has been sold from a single acre in one season. These are most astonishing facts, yet not all that is good about it. It originated in Northern New York and is thoroughly hardy anywhere. Strong grower in any soil, tough and free from disease. Really a marvel in new fruits.

Everbearing Tree—For a Blackberry it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months, and requiring no stakes. It grows five feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, straight and erect. The berries are enormous size, borne in large clusters which commence to ripen early in July and continue into September. They are exceedingly sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth, without a particle of hard core. Its delicate flavor, great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing, and perfect hardiness in the coldest part of the country make it the most valuable of all berries for family use.



Iceberg—One of Luther Burbank's greatest creations. It bears loads of delicious, snowy-berries, which are not only white, but so transparent that the seeds, which are unusually small, may be seen in the ripe berries. Clusters larger than those of Lawton; berries at least as large; earlier, sweeter and more tender and melting throughout, though as firm as Lawton is, when ripe. No garden complete without this grand White Blackberry. It is a most deliciously sweet and prolific sort, and succeeds finely everywhere.

Sugarplum—A prolific fruiter, with large, handsome berries that are sweet and delicious beyond expression, having no core. Begins ripening in July and continues in full bearing two months. Iron-clad in hardiness.

20c. each; the 4 for 60c.; or $1.50 per dozen.

Mammoth Climbing Blackberry.

This holds the fort as a truly great and novel berry which may be grown like a Grapevine.

This grows entirely unlike any other Blackberry in cultivation. It is a rapid grower, trailing on the ground or upon trellises like Grapevines, and under favorable conditions will grow 20 feet in a season. Canes are large and strong. Foliage large, healthy, thick, and of a deep green color. Enormously productive and exceedingly early, ripening three weeks before other varieties. Fruit enormous in size, specimens often reaching 2½ inches in length. Seed small and soft. Core small, very soft and palatable. In size and extra fine flavor surpassing all other varieties of Blackberry. One of the finest Fruit Novelties of recent years. It is unlike a Dewberry or any other so-called running Blackberry ever introduced. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00

Hybrid Berry, Phenomenal.

Of this Mr. Burbank says: "This is larger than the largest berry ever before known. It has a bright crimson Raspberry color, is as productive as could be desired, and the berries growing in clusters of 5 or 10 or more each, and the individual berries measure 3 inches around one way, by 4 inches the other way, and weigh one-quarter ounce each; even larger ones were weighed and measured last season." We have found this berry to be all that is claimed for it—phenomenal in every particular. An expert pronounced this

PRIMUS HYBRID BERRY.

"the greatest wonder of all." It tastes and looks like both the Raspberry and Blackberry. It is one of the most remarkable of all new fruits seen during this generation. Strong year old vines, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00; 10 for $2.00.

The Gardena Dewberry.

(See colored sketch on back cover.)

Positively the Finest and most Satisfactory Black-Berry for Any Section, North, South, East or West.

A most wonderful berry, ripening an immense crop of fruit several weeks ahead of anything else in the Blackberry line. In some locations it ripens in May. Large, firm, of superior flavor, and attractive. A rampant grower and may be trellised like grapevines. Roots from tips like Cap Raspberries. Those who have grown it consider it to be the greatest berry ever introduced. It certainly is, if extreme earliness, enormous productiveness and finest quality count for anything. Both here in Floral Park and California it is far ahead of all other berries in productiveness, quality and early ripening. Perfectly hardy, standing extreme cold, drouth and heat equally well. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50; 100 for $10.00.

Cut from Photograph, Showing its Great Productiveness. See back cover.

Choice Strawberries.

Of all fruits known to cultivation, the Strawberry is conceded to be the most luscious, and is a universal favorite; yet it is not grown by one-half the people who might grow it just as well as not. It is but a few hours work to plant a Strawberry bed and care for it during the year, and no work can possibly yield a better return. Strawberries bought in the market are not to be compared with the luscious ruby beauties, fresh and ripe, from the vines.

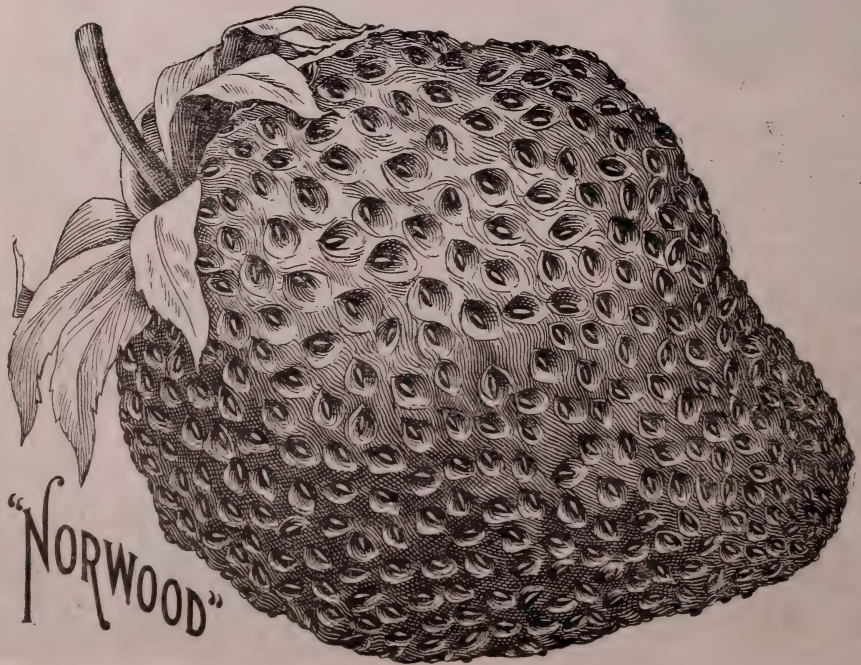
Morning Star—(*The Greatest Strawberry Novelty.*)—Morning Star is the most remarkable berry, and was originated by M. T. Thompson, who first grew Lady Thompson. Morning Star is 10 days earlier than that extra early sort (Lady Thompson,) twice as large, splendid color, good shipper, a long and continuous bearer, and about the finest flavored berry yet grown. In short it has all the extra good qualities of later sorts, combining size, beauty, productiveness and flavor, with a ripening season fully a week or ten days earlier than any other. With all these advantages one can readily appreciate its value for both family and market use. There has been no fruit novelty in recent years so valuable as this. Offered last year for the first time, and introduced only by us. It is a strong, vigorous and healthy grower. 75c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1000.

Great Washington—The real giant among big Strawberries. This improved new sort orignated in the state of Washington. Samples which we received in February, were potted and bore fruit in April. Several hundred plants planted out in April fruited fairly well, though no fruit was expected the first season. The berry is not only the very largest and handsomest in cultivation, but by all odds the best flavor. It is also a great cropper, and vines are extremely healthy and vigorous, a merit not possessed by any other very large sort. What more need be said? It is certainly one of the grandest Strawberries ever introduced. 75c. per dozen; $2.50 per 100; $20.00 per 1000.

Chesapeake—This is the latest, and by all odds the best very late Strawberry. It is as late as Gandy and more productive on any soil, especially light soil. In eating quality there is no comparison, as Chesapeake is one of the very finest flavored berries. Evergreen, plant a strong upright grower, with heavy dark green foliage

entirely exempt from rust. The fruit stalks are equally strong and hold the great berries well up from the ground. The fine large fruit, borne so abundantly, and the strong vigorous hardy nature of the plant, and its extreme lateness combine to make Chesapeake one of the great berries of the future. 80c. per doz.; $2.60 per 100; $21.00 per 1000.

Knoble—A most remarkable new sort of extreme earliness, large size, and high quality. Side by side with Morning Star it is 1 to 2 weeks earlier. Many berries attain the size of small apples, and are highly colored both inside and out. It is probably the greatest seller ever put in a market, and as a berry for home use it cannot be excelled. Plant hardy, thrifty, with rich strong foliage and an unusual root system. Its great earliness, beauty, and most tremendous size combined with high quality must make Knoble the great strawberry of the future. $1.00 per doz.; $5.00 per 100.



Dumas—The ideal late variety. A strong healthy grower, throwing immense crops of large handsome berries which ripen very late, after most other sorts have gone. On this account it is very desirable. 80c. per doz. $2.50 per 100.

The Great Norwood Strawberry.

The Norwood is the LARGEST strawberry in existence. Plant is strong and healthy, berry conic and regular in shape; quality unsurpassed and the size unequalled, some attaining the enormous size of three inches in diameter. Four such strawberries would fill a box and be crowded. Color, bright red, is firm, a good keeper and will ship well. Has a perfect blossom and holds its size well through the season and remains in bearing a full month. $1.00 per doz.; $5.00 per 100.

SPECIAL OFFER — *12 plants each of these 6 finest Strawberries for $4.00*

Four Great Raspberries.

These sorts are marvels in size and productiveness.

Early Surprise—(*See Colored Sketch on Back Cover*)—This ripens WEEKS ahead of every other Raspberry. It might almost be called a spring fruiting sort. It is as large as Cuthbert and as handsome and fine in every way, and that variety is admitted to be the finest of all red sorts. The canes are not so upright, but more weeping and bushy, producing berries in clusters on every branch from ground to tip, fully twice as prolific and many times as profitable. Its fruiting period covers nearly two months, hence doubly valuable for both market and the home garden. Price, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 6 for $1.00; 15 for $2.00.

The King—Berries large, brilliant red and very beautiful. Strong, sturdy grower and a great cropper. It ripens its enormous crop very quickly and is fine for market as the berries hold their brilliant color a long time. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 6 for $1.00.

Giant Cardinal—A new berry of great merit. It is the most hardy and vigorous of all Raspberries, often growing 8 to 10 feet in a season, and standing any degree of frost and drouth. It is propagated by tips, and its productiveness is most astonishing. We know of no variety that can compare with it at all. The berries are large, dark red, firm as to texture, with an agreeable, pure, rich flavor, which is brought to its highest perfection when canned or cooked. The most prolific of any sort known, the fruit fairly hanging in masses. A row or hedge of it is a sight to behold. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 15 $1.50.

Giant Farmer—A Black Cap of great size and value. It is one-fourth larger than any other cap variety, thick meated, firm, and luscious in quality. It is truly a fit companion for Giant Cardinal and the pair are the two finest Raspberries grown. The bush is exceedingly hardy and robust, growing well in all soils and conditions.

Like Giant Cardinal it is also a wonderful cropper and may be relied upon for a splendid crop every year. We can recommend it to the fullest extent. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 15 for $1.50.

1 each of the 4 for 75c.; 3 each for $2.00; 12 of each for $6.00.

Fig, Hirtu du Japan.

This notable variety deserves high praise and general introduction. It is of compact, hardy growth. Indeed, it is a dwarf Fig, making little wood. Its immense load of fruit is astonishing, and it is nearer a perpetual bearer than any other. For the South this is one of the best varieties for the garden, yielding twice as much fruit to a given surface as any other variety. The ideal Fig for pot culture in the North. Also quite hardy in sheltered positions. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Chestnut, Japan Giant.

Introduced recently from Japan, and a Chestnut of enormous size, the nuts averaging four to six times larger than our American variety, and it is not unusual for burrs to contain four to seven of these large perfect nuts. They are almost sure to commence bearing the second year after planting. 75c. each; 3 for $2.00.

Our Three Fine Fruit Novelties (SEE BACK COVER)

Raspberry Early Surprise *See page 135* | *Gardena Dewberry* *See page 133*

Plum First Best.

Earlier by a Month Than Any Other Plum.

This new Plum is remarkable for earliness and sweet honey-like flavor, great beauty, productiveness and hardiness. A sure cropper every year. Ripe fruit of it comes from Florida in April. In New Jersey it is due to ripen in June. R. D. Hoyt, of the Florida Fruit Growers Association, says that this fruit would sell for a most fabulous price if it could be had in quantity for market in April and May. Tree not a large grower but enormously prolific, fruiting when only a year or two old. Plums medium in size, richest golden color and SWEET and DELICIOUS to a degree surpassing any other. It is the finest flavored plum we ever ate. We have tried it for three years and can say it will create a real sensation when known. Good 1 year old trees 60c. each; 2 for $1.00; 5 for $2.00. Strong 2 year old $1.00 each; 6 for $5.00. Delivered by mail or express prepaid.

The Crime of the Wonderberry.

It is said on good authority that a certain man connected with a certain Horticultural publication, himself a creator of plant Novelties and an aspirant for fame, tried to associate himself with Luther Burbank and his work. Mr. Burbank declined; since when this certain publication has gone out of its way to discredit Mr. Burbank and his work in every manner possible.

When we introduced the Wonderberry last year no Horticulturist of note had seen it or knew anything about it. It had been carefully guarded, as all such valuable Novelties are, and had been grown only by Mr. Burbank in California and by us here at Floral Park. The publication referred to immediately attacked it as worthless, though the Editors had never seen it and knew nothing about it. It was called many things—all bad—and finally it was alleged to be the Black Nightshade (Solanum nigrum) and poisonous. (The Potato, the Egg Plant, the Tomato and Wonderberry are all Solanums.)

From this starting point other would be Horticulturists, envious of Mr. Burbank, took up the cry against him and the Wonderberry, and the most malicious and untruthful reports about it became current all over the world. Never in the history of horticulture was such a well-organized and so persistent a crusade against a man ever launched, and all based absolutely upon false assertions. Not one of these envious and jealous men had any personal knowledge of the Wonderberry whatsoever, but seed was procured from us early and started under glass. By April some small seedling plants, three or four inches high, had set and ripened a few fruits. As might be expected under such conditions the berries were small and tasteless. Here then was proof positive that the thing was worthless, and all of Mr. Burbank's enemies and rivals were happy. They met to felicitate one another, to pass resolutions, and to write press notices condemning the Wonderberry and kept it up until the middle of summer, inducing tens of thousands of people who had plants of it to pull them up and throw them away, thus helping along the crusade against Burbank.

By the end of July plants grown under proper conditions in the open ground all over the country began to mature fruit and a shower of favorable reports set in. At this time Doctor Britton, head of the New York Botanical Garden, made a report on the Wonderberry that was favorable, asserting that it was not Solanum nigrum or any other known variety. This, after a careful study of the plant growing in the grounds of the Botanical gardens, by himself and associate Professors. We also made it known that our five-acre patch of Wonderberries were ripening and anyone was welcome to come and see it and taste the fruit. We also offered to send fruit to anyone who applied, and did so in many cases.

Before the middle of August "The Crime of the Wonderberry" was fully exposed and the motive generally understood. Then came the wailing of those who had been misled into detroying their plants (see testimonials).

By September the Wonderberry was fully vindicated in all parts of the country and we were deluged with letters praising it.

Mr. Burbank has not been injured, but great damage and annoyance has been done to innocent people—how many, the world will never know—more than 350,000 people had planted seed of the Wonderberry.

As the introducer we might expect to come in for a large share of abuse, also, but our 35 years of honorable reputation as a seedsman, enjoying the confidence of more than half a million customers, probably saved us from ferocious attacks. We were usually referred to as having been victimized by Mr. Burbank, which shows that he was the man struck at.

Such is the true history of the crime of the Wonderberry.

Testimonials on the Wonderberry.

We could fill the entire 152 pages of this catalogue with good reports on the Wonderberry. In reading them please bear in mind that our Sunberry, or Improved Wonderberry, is still better in every respect.

Mr. John Burroughs, a great Author and a sworn enemy of all "faking," finds the Wonderberry great.

"My visit to you was well worth while, if only to see that wonderful Wonderberry. I could hardly credit my eyes when you led me in the midst of those vines, each one spreading three or four feet over the ground and loaded with fruit. As you lifted up the under branches they were literally black with berries, and the marvel was that much of the fruit had been hanging there since July (nearly 3 months) and was sound and sweet. And that pie we had for dessert at dinner! Surely, I never ate a more delicious berry pie in my life. Next season I hope to try the berry, following your methods of growing it." JOHN BURROUGHS, West Park, N. Y.

From a High Authority.

MR. E. S. MILLER, Director of the New York State Agricultural Experimental Station, says: "The Wonderberry appears to be a very good thing, particularly on poor soil. I have seen it growing and fruiting abundantly in pure sand. Another great quality is the long keeping of the fruit, after it is picked. I have some that were picked and shipped to me four weeks ago that are still good.

The Wonderberry is a decidedly different plant from Solanum nigrum, as I remember it, or any other form of Solanum I have ever seen."

Burbank's Last Word.

LUTHER BURBANK, Santa Rosa, Calif., Aug. 19, 1909, says: "Just rest assured that in the Wonderberry you have the most important fruit for the World which has been introduced within the last hundred years."

Not Fooled.

HERMAN SCHOCH, Bridgeton, N. J., says: "I was watching the growth of my Wonderberries with admiration when one day a neighbor brought me a paper condemning the Wonderberry, and for several weeks afterwards he made me a visit for the same purpose. I made up my mind I would give them a thorough test, which I have done. I am now able to give testimony as to their fine quality in a raw state or cooked. I have tried them three different ways and find them very delicious and unexcelled for jelly, jam and preserves. Walter L. Minch, a buyer and shipper of produce at Bridgeton, drove to my place, a distance of 9 miles, to see them. He pronounced them the wonder of the age."

An Interesting Experience.

EUGENE GEROERER, Balcarres, Sask., Canada, says: "About five weeks ago I wrote criticising your Wonderberry. Since then the berries have undergone a certainly wonderful change. I followed the advice in your letter and patiently waited until to my astonishment I find the fruit of a most agreeable taste, some even resembling the flavor of the wild Strawberry. I have a patch in the garden of about 200 plants, and I picked to-day from three plants a quart, only taking those on the bottom branches. I am satisfied that this fruit deserves all the praise which you gave it. In our far northern country this berry is of great value, because it is so easily grown. About three weeks ago we had a killing frost, and Cucumber, Tomato and Potato vines are all dead alongside of the Wonderberry which was hardly touched and the berries go on ripening. I shall set out a good large plantation next year, and shall do my best to see that Luther Burbank gets well deserved credit."

A Great Fruit Grower's Opinion.

R. D. HOYT, Clearwater, Fla., of the Florida Fruit Grower's Association, says: "I think the four acres of Wonderberries you had growing at Floral Park was about the most wonderful sight I ever came across in the berry line; the quantity of fruit on each plant seemed almost incredible. I can say that I consider the fruit as good as a Blueberry in the raw state, but made into pies and in the form of jam it is good enough for anybody. It might be well to caution people not to pick the fruit as soon as it turns, but allow it to become fully ripe and thus get its best flavor. I predict that as it becomes known it will be very popular."

A Good Account.

D. S. HALL, Wichita, Kans., says: "I sold seed of the Wonderberries to thirty different parties last spring, and twenty-nine of them are well satisfied with it and recommend it. The other one planted it in soil too heavily fertilized. I think I can sell lots next spring. I know of no fruit or vegetable of easier culture. I find it extremely prolific and of long season in bearing, the fruit remaining for weeks on the bushes in perfect condition after it is fully ripe. Its rich color and fine flavor make it one of the very best berries for jelly; and made into pies—well, it has got them all beat to a frazzle."

Real Appreciative.

OSCAR E. BINNER, (Publishing Co.) Chicago, Ill: "A few weeks ago our grocer notified Mrs. Binner that he had a fine lot of Burbank's Wonderberries. We bought some and made a pie of same, and must confess that though I am very fond of *good pies I never ate such a delicious pie before.* My! but it was good. I ate two large pieces

I want you to know that the best people are watching you in your light, and I for one *wish you every success.* Give it to them good and hard, and if I can be of any service to you command me."

From A Noted Chef.

ROBERT BREUNING, Chef of the Union League Club, Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "Having tried the new berry called the Wonderberry, I wish to say that it is indeed a most delicious berry, and as a berry for culinary use in making pies, etc, it is unsurpassed and cannot be recommended too highly, the berries having a delightful flavor."

Thousands Like This.

GEORGIANA D. SMITH. 116 Sylvan St., Danvers, Mass., says: "I had my first Wonderberry pie to-day, and it was simply great. I never ate a nicer one in my life. My next-door neighbor said her husband pulled his all up after seeing something about it in the papers, but I thought I would wait a bit and to-night feel so elated that I just had to write and tell you about it. I wish I knew Mr. Burbank."

PRESS CLIPPINGS.

"The Florist Exchange," New York, Oct. 23d, says: "We reproduce herewith a photograph of the Wonderberry, as grown on the grounds of the disseminator, Mr. John Lewis Childs, at Floral Park, Long Island. Whatever may be said or thought of the economic value of this plant, its tremendous yield of fruit is certainly something marvelous."

"The Western Nevada Miner," Mina, Nev., on Oct. 9th, says: "Dr. F. C. Pache has successfully grown the Wonderberry, the marvelous production of Luther Burbank, in his garden in Mina. It is a palatable fruit and can be profitably grown in this locality with the aid of a very small quota of water. Dr. Pache's bushes are now loaded with ripe and green berries and blossoms. We have no hesitancy in pronouncing the Wonderberry an unqualified success."

H. D. RICHARDS, writing to the Kansas City (Mo.) Star, Sept. 3d, says: "I notice some slanders heaped upon the head of the defenseless Wonderberry, but it also has may supporters. Up here in dry western South Dakota we planted a few last spring, and notwithstanding the severe drouth they are yielding an abundance of delicious fruit."

From "Indiana Farmer," Oct. 12th: "I suppose you would like to hear from some one that has tried the Wonderberry. I have raised them, I have eaten them and like them better than anything I ever ate in pies or sauce. They are wonderfully productive, easy to grow and any one who will cast aside prejudice and give them a fair trial will become fully convinced as I have and find them delightfully palatable." E. J. S.

From "The Minneapolis Journal," July 26th: "Mr. Libby has grown the Wonderberry and cannot understand why people down East say that it is a failure. He says 'My experience is that Luther Burbank has given a great fruit to the world. Last night I ate a dish of Blueberries, which nearest resembles them, and a dish of Wonderberry, and I prefer the Wonderberries. It is larger, more luscious and has more fruit juice. It is a heavier yielder and it will grow and bear better on light soil. I shall have about five bushels of Wonderberries this season. I have only a small place in which to grow them, but they bear wonderfully."

From Kansas City "Star": "My Wonderberry bushes are four feet across and are loaded with berries and bloom. I have used them for over three weeks as stewed fruit, preserved and in pies. No other name suits this fruit but Wonderberry," MRS. A. A. WILCOX, Zodiac, Mo.

From "Daily Argus," Alameda, Calif., Sept. 13th: "Plant wizard Burbank and his Wonderberry have a staunch supporter in Capt. J. S. Hanley of this city. The Captain says he has several bushes growing in the rear yard of his home and they are bearing prolifically, and many a juicy pie has he and his friends partaken of. Capt. Hanley says that the Wonderberry pie tastes like a good old State of Maine Blueberry pie, and is just as good,"

From the "News," Rio Vista, Calif., Aug. 27th: "The sample of Wonderberry plant brought into this office is certainly covered with berries, and they are very good."

From the "Press," Long Beach, Calif., Sept. 2d: "H H. Hart, of Signal Hill, the well-known garden truck man, who has one of the largest places of its kind in this section, says the Wonderberry is all that is claimed for it by Mr. Burbank. He raises the Wonderberry and finds it excellent for pies. He also says the various eating houses in the city, including the Hotel Virginia, use them in abundance, and they are popular. That they are prolific is certain, and that they are here when no other berry can be found in the market. Better prices are secured for the Wonderberry, Mr. Hart says, than for any other berry grown in this section."

From the "Bee," Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 1st: A fruit grower sends a plant of the Wonderberry and says: "I have been growing it in my garden. You can see how wonderfully prolific it is, as these bushes have been picked over at various times. Wonderberries make fine pies and a fine syrup for hot biscuit or hot cakes can be made of the juice. They can also be spiced to be eaten with cold meats, and a delicious jam can be made of them. I am not personally interested in defending the berry, but, like the 'Bee,' I am always for everything that is right and just."

From "Gleanings in Bee Culture," Oct. 1st: "We have grown the Wonderberry plant and ate the berries for sauce, and they were as good as Huckleberries and looked just like them. Made some into a pie and it was the nicest berry pie I every tasted." LU. A. WASHBURN.

"The Rural Californian" for August says editorially: "The writer desires to endorse all that has been said of the good qualities of the Wonderberry, which resembles the eastern Blueberry in appearance and taste. The fruit I have tasted was not fully ripe. In spite of that, however, it was pleasant to taste and suggestive of a good berry flavor. Since it has better value when cooked or made into pies we feel sure that its future is assured."

From "Gleanings in Bee Culture," Sept. 15th: "As to the Wonderberry being profitable, why if I had one acre of these berries I could realize more from them than from any other and I am positive that if once introduced to the market there would be a larger demand for them than for any other kind. Another great advantage is they do not require rich soil, for they do best on a poor soil, and after being picked they can also be kept in crates or baskets for a week without spoiling." WILLIAM F. DANIEL, Sandusky, Ohio.

From "The Times," Visalia, Calif., Sept. 3d: "Dr. S. C. Page has a good sized patch of Wonderberries which flourished from the start. Then came the criticisms published in many journals, and, feeling that he had been duped, he pulled up and threw away all but a few plants, these being left to determine, as a matter of curiosity, what they would really amount to. Now the Doctor is sorry he did, and avers that next season he will assure himself of a good crop."

From the "Age Herald," Birmingham, Ala.. Aug. 1st: "The Wonderberry plants have a good spread and are ten times as productive as Huckleberries which the fruit resembles in appearance. Mr. Browers says that they take the place of Huckleberries for pie etc."

From "Journal-Enterprise," Waverly, Ill., June 25th: "The claims made for the Wonderberry have as far as possible been substantiated by Mr. Livingstone who has 125 plants and has been experimenting with them since February. It looks as if the plant had a very appropriate name."

From the "Republican," Fresno, Calif., Aug. 12th: "It seems almost impossible that people of to-day, through petty jealousy, will show such rank injustice towards one who has created such good fruits, vegetables and flowers. If people will use the Wonderberry the same as the Blueberry they will find that it makes delicious pies and sauce."

K. S. ENOCHS, writing to the "Tribune," Hammond, La., Aug. 5th, says: "I have handled the Wonderberry this year and it is far from a failure. Planted seed in January, and transplanted to the open ground in March, one row fifty feet long. Began gathering berries the last week in June. The plants here will easily produce $250 per acre before August 1st. The plants bear enormously and the fruit is delicious and sells readily in the markets. My plants at this writing are fairly loaded with fruits in all stages, and blooming."

From the "Sun," San Diego, Cal., Aug. 13th: "Mrs. Eliza Warburton, who lives up in Hillcrest, has made a pie out of the Wonderberry and the pie was so good that Mrs. Warburton has got herself into a pretty pickle. She is kept busy making Wonderberry pies."

From the "Tribune," Oakland, Calif., Aug. 15th: "Prof. E. J. Wickson is one of the scientists who comes to the rescue of Burbank to say that as far as he is concerned the Wonderberry is edible, and that it is not identified with any other known variety of berry."

GENERAL TESTIMONIALS.

Rev. Henry F. Kastendieck, (*Pastor M. E. Church*) Floral Park, N. Y., says: "I have just returned from a trip to your Wonderberry field. I was amazed at the luxuriance of the growth, but especially at the profusion of berries which thickly covered the plants. In eating the berries I found them much to my liking—agreeably palatable and most refreshing. Surely Wonderberry pie will be famous. A week or more ago Mr. Allen remembered us at the Parsonage with a portion. You know how far removed he usually is from rhapsody of feeling or utterance, but he is an enthusiast on Wonderberry pie. We, too, prefer it to any other pie we have ever eaten, and it is a real pleasure to write you so."

Mrs. R. Brown, Craik, Sask, Can., says: "Myself and family have been delighted with the successful growth of the Wonderberry. As the result of one packet of seed we have picked large quantities, and we think it a very delicious, juicy fruit; useful for nearly all purposes."

Mrs. J. C. Adams, Waldo, Ark., says: "It is with pleasure I speak a good word for the Wonderberry. We have a row about thirty feet long and they are fine, and are loaded with berries though the summer has been so dry. I find that those who speak against the Wonderberry have never tried it. A neighbor that has them is well pleased."

Mrs. E. A. Tilley, Mitchell, Ont., Can., says: "I have cooked the Wonderberry in many ways, and made pies and preserved them and they are very nice—I will say delicious, and so do others. A great many have tasted them."

Mrs. Mark Whelan, Hanford, Wash., says: "I planted seed of the Wonderberry in the open ground the first of May and gathered the first ripe berries the middle of August. It is the only berry we have had to mature this, our first year on irrigated land; so it has been a boon to us. I have found many different and attractive ways of serving it."

Mrs. J. H. Powers, 4732 Kenwood Ave., Chicago, Ill., says: "Upon a space of 4 by 10 feet I have raised enough Wonderberries to supply my friends, besides fruit for several pies, breakfast muffins, puddings for several dinners, and some very fine jelly."

J. S. Heald, Hartford, Mich., says: "My Wonderberry plants began ripening fruit about the 10th of August. Naturally I was anxious to taste them which I did, and pronounced them no good. Two weeks later made sauce, and it was pretty fair. Found they were much better ripened. Since we have had sauce and pies and find them good; quite similar to Huckleberries. We are now canning for winter's use. Vines now (Sept. 27th) loaded with green and ripe berries, and are still blooming. We have had three frosts and all garden truck is badly injured except WONDERBERRY which shows no signs of frost. Fruit is now fine for eating raw."

Mrs. Wm. Crawford, Bottineau, N. Dak., says: "I have a single plant of the Wonderberry which measures five feet across and literally loaded with delicious fruit which can be used in all the ways in which ordinary berries are used. It makes delicious pies, and for sweet pickles is unsurpassed. Here in the North, where fruit trees do not thrive, we welcome it as a great addition to our garden products. Berries delicious to taste, and very juicy, while the seeds are so small they are not an inconvenience. I am very enthusiastic and proud of being one of the first to grow this grand new fruit, and I earnestly recommend it to others."

S. P. Kinney, Evans Mills, N. Y., says: "My Wonderberries planted three feet apart each way soon covered the ground and were loaded with blossoms. In a short time the fruit began to form and the plants kept in bloom, and were loaded with thousands of large, blue berries which commenced to ripen about the middle of August. The fruit is very delicious to the taste. They also make excellent pies. I intend to grow them on a large scale next year."

Mrs. Ida A. Butler, Cottonwood, S. Dak., says: "I took first premium at Kadoka Fair on a Wonderberry plant four feet across. The Wonderberry can be used in any form that any kind of fruit can. It will be appreciated as well as the Strawberry."

Mrs. John R. Champion, Coldwater, Mich., says: "The Wonderberry, has neither been appreciated or understood by many during the past year. Time will vindicate it of the scurrilous attacks that have been made upon it, and at no distant day it will be grown in every garden and be considered as much of a necessity as the Tomato. Delicious in flavor, resembling in every way a large Huckleberry, it is unexcelled for pies, puddings, sauces, etc. I wish to add that to John Lewis Childs the people owe a debt of gratitude for introducing this grand new plant, so appropriately named."

Mrs. J. F. Mensing, Olathe, Kans., says: "I set out about 560 plants of the Wonderberry and the whole patch was soon one solid mass. Of course, we had many more than one small family could use besides putting up a good many for winter use. It is very fine."

J. P. Swallow, Kenton, Ohio, says: "My Wonderberries did best in clay soil, bearing an abundant crop of berries. It certainly is a beautiful sight to see them, and when ripe I do not think there is a finer berry for table use; also for making pies, preserves and butter, and I do not think its equal for all purposes was ever raised."

Miss Katie Morton, Colgate, N. Dak., says: "I have found the Wonderberry to be a hardy, thrifty plant, enduring early frosts, and a wonderful producer of delicious berries. It seems to do best when planted in the open ground where the soil is not too rich. I think the Wonderberry might be considered a boon to mankind."

Mrs. W. B. Jones, White Salmon, Wash., says: "I have just finished my experiments with Wonderberry. They surely are wonderful. I am pleased with them, and I find they are making friends. Some of my neighbors say they beat Huckleberries. I have eighteen bushes, and have all I can use and more."

Miss Mary E. A. Bolton, Agate, Colo., says: "The Wonderberry is possessed of that which makes the dainty flavor peculiar to the Blueberry alone. The Wonderberry has this delicious flavor more perfected than has the Blueberry, when rightly prepared. It also possesses that rich tasty flavor peculiar to the Raspberry. The Wonderberry when blended with other fruits makes nice sauces."

Mary P. Hamilton, Lock Haven, Pa., has used the Wonderberry in many ways and finds it most excellent. She sends many receipts for different ways of using the fruit.

James A. Lake, Huntington Beach, Cal., says: "In May I set out six plants of the Wonderberry in my garden and in July commenced picking fruit. Up to the first of September we picked off these six plants 44 boxes of berries, and they are still bearing. We sold about two-thirds of the berries to parties in this town for pies, and without exception they claim they made as fine a pie as the Blueberry. The following persons in this town have had berries and can endorse all I claim for them; A. L. Reed, Resident Manager, Huntington Beach Co., A. W. Lindgren, Foreman, Light and Telegraph Department; H. T. Sundbye, Proprietor Department Store; W. L. McKinney, Proprietor Grocery Store; W. A. Patterson, Rancher; C. H. Howard, Proprietor, Grocery Store; F. Kerr, Foreman on Beet-dump; B. Russel, Rancher. Ever since these people had the first berries they have been continually asking for more, and I believe I could sell the product of a half acre."

During the G. A. R. Encampment we had some friends from the East, and when served with Wonderberry pie they said it was the best Blueberry pie they had ever eaten. Last Friday Mr. Theodore Payne, a Los Angeles Seedsman, visited here and I showed him a row of Wonderberries which were from seven to nine feet across and loaded with fruit. He look at them in astonishment. He lunched with us and we had some Wonderberry pie, and although he came prejudiced against the fruit he returned thoroughly satisfied as to its worth. On Sunday last Mr. J. V. Vickers, President of the Huntington Beach Company, and his wife visited us, and after tasting Wonderberry pie they took to Los Angeles a couple of quarts of the fruit. On Sunday we had Mr. Meadows, Editor of the Orange Post, with his wife and a friend, to dinner. We served Wonderberry pie without saying what it was, and when asked what they were eating they said it was Blueberry pie and wondered where we got it. When we told them it was Wonderberry they wanted some plants right away.

We certainly have found the Wonderberry all o. k., and even with a small garden we shall always give it first place."

James Sterling, Chatham, Ont., Can., says: "I have taken great interest in growing the Wonderberry, and the following are the true facts: On the 14th of May I planted it in my garden and it was in bloom the 7th day of June. On the 5th day of July had ripe berries for all purposes in abundance, and when cooked in the following manner—stewed for sauce, used for making pies, tarts, roley-poley puddings, canning and preserving—they are delicious, and the greatest acquisition we have to the family garden up to the present date, as they are very easily grown. With a little care a few plants will give a large family all the berries they would want throughout the season. If the Editors who have been running down the Wonderbery, ate some pies or puddings made from the berries they would all say: God bless Luther Burbank for the Wonderborry."

Mrs. H. E. Robbins, Zion City, Ill., says: "I have raised the Wonderberry and find it grows easily. I like the color of the juice and fruit, and think it delicious. Everything that Luther Burbank and John Lewis Childs have published about it is true. They did not tell half of its good qualities. Berries hang on the vine and keep good longer after ripening than any fruit or berry I ever had anything to do with, and I am 71 years old!" (Over twenty people in Zion City have written their good opinion of the Wonderberry.)

Mary E. Bittner, Baldwin, L. I., says: "I raised fifteen plants of the Wonderberry, and when the poison cry was raised I tore up all but a few and these grew very large. When the berries ripened I tasted them, then a pie was made, using about a quart of berries. That pie was as good as any Blueberry pie, and as soon as more berries ripen we shall have another. For Mr. Burbank's sake I wanted you to know we had eaten the berries and liked them."

Miss Betsey M. Axtell, Wilmington, Ill., says: "Our neighbors think the Wonderberry is all that could be desired in a small fruit, as they are very prolific. They make delicious pies and sauce, and are very nice to eat raw. May Mr. Burbank live to a good old age that he may be a blessing to the people."

THEDORE FORBY, Editor Zion Herald, Zion City, Ill., says: "The jellies and preserves made in this town from the Wonderberry, the new garden fruit spoken of so much by our neighbors, are indeed superior in taste and lead one to say wonderful. Wonderberry jelly with a little grape is particularly pleasing. I have also eaten some pie made from the berries, and the old-fashioned Huckleberries are no better. In fact, to me the Wonderberry is the more satisfactory. Shall try to have a larger planting next season."

MISS LIZZIE GALLOWAY, Spencer, Iowa, says: "I think the Wonderberries are fine. They are good in every way I have tried them: jellies, pies, canned, etc. I have made up a little cook-book giving a dozen receipts for using them."

EDWARD A. FLOMERFELT, New Brunswick, N. J., says: "The Wonderberry is truly a wonder. It starts from very small seeds hardly the size of a pinhead and grows and bushes out and makes a very pretty plant for the garden, yielding a plentecus supply of delicious berries which are good no matter how they are served, whether raw or cooked."

MRS. ADA S. ROGERS, El Monte, Cal., says: "I am raising the Wonderberries in my garden this summer and am more than satisfied with the results. I have been picking ripe berries for two months, and the plants are still loaded. They make excellent jam and very delicious pies, tasting like Blueberry pies, and are nice eaten raw with sugar and cream, when perfectly ripe."

MRS. BERTHA M. CLARK, Concord, N. H., writes: "I feel that although some have talked against the Wonderberry that I must speak in favor of it. They are great bearers and do better on soil that is not too rich. One of my plants had a pint before it was three months old and is doing finely now. I shall have a larger bed of it next year."

SAMUEL LINCOLN, Seibert, Colo., says: "I wish to speak in regard to the Wonderberry which I must prize highly. I I thought it all a fake about their having berries the first season, but the bushes are just loaded, ripening all the time. We have been eating them in sauce, pies, preserves, jelly, etc. The only trouble is we haven't enough."

MRS. L. MARSHALL, Tiller, Oreg., says: "We live on the mountain-side 16,000 feet above sea level. The Wonderberries did so well that we have picked the fruit three times now, and they are full of blossoms and green fruit. They yield well. The ground is new, never having been plowed."

JOSEPH N. WILKIN, Hillsboro, Ohio, says: "As to fruit of the Wonderberry I have found nothing better to use in any way that any other fruit may be used. We have tested the pies made by as many as twenty-five different persons, and all say they are excellent. The plants are hardy and productive. I had one vine that measured ten feet in diameter and I picked seven pints of fruit off it at the last picking. The berries commenced to ripen the 18th day of July, and the plants have yielded up to this date, the 26th of Sept."

MRS. S. A. ARNOLD, Elkhart, Ind., says: "I have about fifty plants of the Wonderberry. Commenced picking in July and have picked what I wanted to use, and let neighbors pick, and still the bushes are black with berries. They surely are wonders to bear. I am past 66 years."

MRS. A. M. PHILLIPS, Coboconk, Ont., says: "We want to add our commendation to the great Wonderberry. We find it a most wonderful plant. Everything you advised about it we find true, and more too. We eat the berries raw with sugar and cream, and as stew or preserves it is grand."

MISS M. JORDAN, Salisbury, N. C., says: "I have just had a Wonderberry day. I sent some to our Mayor's wife who had a roly-poly pudding made of them. Some to my Pastor's wife who had a steamed pudding, and I myself had the same thing. We were all pleased with them."

MRS. R. MUNRO, Redwood City, Calif., says: "I bought ten packets of Wonderberry seed from you last spring of which I sold to my neighbors, and some I sowed myself. Have had very good results from them. They are ripe at the present time, and I have tried them in pies, and some for preserves. Also made some Wonderberry hot-cakes which were excellent. Also jelly."

G. C. SHARRAR, Macedonia, Mo., says: "We have tried the Wonderberry for pies, preserves and jam, and it is fine, just as good as the Huckleberry we used to gather in old Pennsylvania. We have some neighbors who said it was nothing but Nightshade, but after eating the Wonderberry pie and preserves here they said they felt like kicking themselves for they had let their chickens eat the best thing they ever grew in their garden. Luther Burbank's O. K."

CORA E. GOODINS, Scarborough, Me., says: "The Wonderberry is rightly named. Our vines were loaded all the time until the frost killed them. They make a delicious pie."

H. H. BURNS, Washburn, Wis., says: "The Wonderberry is perfect and all that is claimed for it by Mr. Burbank and yourself."

MRS. WM. MEDHOLDT, 789 Lancaster, St., Albany, N. Y., says: "I have found your Wonderberry to be just what you represent it and am much pleased with it. I have filled several cans for winter use."

R. D. COLE, Tucson, Ariz., says: "The Wonderberry was quite a success here this year, and will be in big demand next season."

MRS. JOHN BOECHER, Antigo, Wis., says: "I wish to state my experience with the Wonderberry, which is surely a wonder, as it grows freely here in the northern climate. I have used it for jelly, sauce, pies, etc."

MRS. HARVEY WILSON, Mason, Mich., says: "I must tell you of the success I had with Burbank's Wonderberry. The berries commenced to ripen about the first of September and so far I have made seven pies. I took one large one to the Farmers' Club last week which was sampled by a dozen people and all pronounced it fine. Yesterday I made a pie for a banker's family. They said it was the most delicious pie they ever ate. The plants are still loaded with fruit."

S. F. MERCER, Lorimore, N. Dak., says: "The Wonderberries I planted in my garden are ripening up in fine shape and the plants are six feet in diameter. They are loaded with a berry that when jealousy and ignorance are removed from its petals will rank with the best of the standard varieties. They are here to stay. They can't be beat for pies."

ALBERTA SOETJE, 432 South Washington St., Denver, Colo., says: "No one could ask for a better pie than the Wonderberry makes. It is fully as good as Blueberry pie and very difficult to distinguish from the Blueberry. The color is as pleasing as the taste."

RICHARD S. GRICE, Batavia, N. Y., says: "I have heard some dispute over the Wonderberry. I bought my seed from you and grew them in my garden this summer. I find they are superior as a pie berry to any other berry raised."

T. B. KILLIN, Silverton, Oregon, says: "I have about two dozen plants of the Wonderberry, and we pronounce them excellent. They are loaded with green and ripe berries, and still blooming. We have had a number of friends try them, and their verdict was the same. A valuable addition to our garden fruits."

E. P. WESTOBY, Red River, New Mex., says: "My Wonderberry plants have done fine. I tried them in every conceivable manner. I transplanted some of them when they were in bloom and the berries were ripe. I have some of them in the house and some out of doors. Some in the shade and some in the sun, and they seem to do well anywhere, and the altitude is 9,000 feet here. They make fine pies. I have plants that have a spread of seven feet and they are covered with blossoms and berries. They cannot be beat."

JAMES B. GOUGH, Muncie, Ind., says: "The Wonderberry has proved to be just what you said about it, although we had an awful hard hail-storm which broke the vines to pieces, but we have some left and they are fine."

R. M. CROY, Bucklodge, Tenn., says: "We think the Wonderberry is fine. It is good raw, cooked, canned or preserved, or any way that we have tried it. Tell Mr. Burbank to keep coming with more."

DR. W. S. JOHNSON, Kemp, Ill., says: "The Wonderberries began ripening in July, with the end not in sight as they are still blooming. From two plants I have picked more than a quart of delicious berries. Used as sauce or for pies I have never seen their equal. They are wonderfully prolific and a great success."

SARAH I. BROOKS, Rocky Face, Ga., says: "I sold ten packets of Wonderberry seed. I have one plant four feet in diameter and very full of berries. The Wonderberry is just as you advertise it."

MRS. I. J. PARKER, Preston, Minn., says: "I raised the Wonderberry this season and must say it is fine."

M. MCNEILL, Melbourne, Ont., says: "My Wonderberries are full of green and ripe berries. The ripe ones are about the size of large peas and are growing in clusters of from three to seven. Their taste is like a luscious Blueberry, rich and pleasing. Consider it one of the best and most wonderful garden plants ever introduced into Canada. Have used the berries raw, cooked and preserved."

A. E AXTELL, Wilmington, Ill., says: "The Wonderberry is a wonderful berry. When ripe it is delicious and sweet. A pie made of the Wonderberry cannot be beat."

REV. THOMAS C. EASTON, New Brunswick, N. J., says: "Accept my grateful thanks for your generous gift of the fruit of Wonderberry. It was a real pleasure to exhibit to my skeptical friends. It is all right, and when I showed it to Mr. Johnson, of Red Cross fame and a connoisseur in fruits, he was manly enough to admit the claim of Mr. Burbank, and the merits of the Wonderberry."

W. A. WEST, Arkadelphia, Ark., says: "I raised 35 plants of the Wonderberry. They began to ripen June 18th and have borne since that time. We are still using them and consider it the finest-flavored pie berry we ever used."

REV. H. B. SHELDON, Pacific Grove, Calif., says: "I gladly give my recommendation for the Wonderberry, for, personally, I have liked them in every way I have used them, and what's more the *liking grows with the use.*"

W. T. DAVIS, Enon, Va., says: "The Wonderberry is a grand success. I have found it true to your description in every particular. They ripen in three months from sowing of seed and bear continually. They make delightful preserves and jam, and are fine to eat with cream and sugar."

JUDGE MORROW, U. S. Circuit Court of Cal., says: "The Wonderberry is simply delicious raw or cooked."

W. S. MOORE, Louisville, Ky., says: "For the past thirty days we have been using Wonderberries every two or three days. Yesterday we picked between two and three quarts and could hardly tell that any had been picked at all, We are using them for cakes, pies, jellies, and in the raw state as breakfast fruit."

MRS. S. VAN WULDEN, Manitou, Okla., says: "I want to say that I am more than pleased with the Wonderberry I have plants that measure 6 feet across which were full of berries the latter part of June. Different parties who have tasted them say they are like the Huckleberries."

C. L. BESHORE, Marion, Ind., says: "We have Wonderberries on the table now every day in puddings, pies and stewed, and in any way they are prepared we find them valuable. They are even better than Huckleberry. We can have them fresh every morning, and you cannot say too much for the Wonderberry."

REV. G. A. WINEBRENNER, Gauley Bridge, W. Va., says: "I have tried the Wonderberry this year and am well pleased with it. I have about twenty plants and they have done fine; full of berries all the time. I made them into preserves and they are just fine. We eat them raw and like them. They are a good thing in every way."

MRS. S. M. BURKHOLDER, Lynchburg, Va., says: "The Wonderberry is the greatest novelty in berries I have ever seen and makes the prettiest jelly and preserves, a rich violet purple in color, different from all other fruits. I think it is the most wonderful berry in existence.

J. WILKINSON, Commander, Post 463, Indiana Infantry, G. A. R., Bainbridge, Ind., says: "From a packet of Wonderberry seed I raised about one hundred plants. I found them easy to grow and they commenced ripening fruit about the first of August, and at this writing (Sept. 23d) are still blooming, and ripening fruit. They certainly are a wonder. I believe when fully introduced they will become indispensable in almost every home. We are more than pleased with it.

E. J. TULL, Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., says: "I raised four Wonderberry plants from seed last spring. Made the first pie from them July 10th, and have had two pies a week from the berries of these four plants every week until the 4th of September. The most astonishing yield and length of time of ripe fruitage I have ever heard of."

MRS. DR. I. P. BYRNE, Nokomis, Sask., Can., says: "I planted my Wonderberry seed in the open ground on May 4th. The plants did well and we began eating the berries on the 12th of August, since when we have literally feasted on them. They are truly a boon in such climate as ours where the seasons are so short. I am prompted to write to you on this matter by seeing Mr. Burbank's berry scoffed at. I feel it is only just that those having grown and tested this wonderful berry for themselves should give their testimony in its behalf."

SUSIE GOODWIN, Buckley, Wash., says: "My Wonderberries have loads of fruit about the size of a large pea. When ripe they are a bluish-black and look much like a Blueberry, and are very nice."

MRS. LORENA EDWARDS, Mt. Sidney, Va., says: "I have raised some of the Wonderberries and believe they are just what they are claimed to be. The berries are nice and much larger and finer than the Huckleberries; and then they last much longer and are much more prolific."

WM. BAILEY, Memphis, Mich., says: "I put out my Wonderberries in May and in July had ripe berries sufficient for a pie. It was conceded to be as good as Huckleberry and even better. I visited Mr. Raymond's garden to see how he liked the Wonderberry. He is well pleased with it, and wished me to say for him that he considered it fully up to the claim made in the Catalogue. They are wonderful bearers, full of blossoms, ripe and green berries.

GORDON COLEMAN, Engelfeld, Sask., Can., says: "In May I set out plants of the Wonderberry and they grew fine, spreading out two feet each way, and are just loaded with berries. We find them very good any way we use them. People like to eat them raw. They make lovely jam and are just o. k. for pies. We have certainly found them a WONDERBERRY in every way we used them."

W. H. WRIGHT, Phoenix Insurance Company, St. Louis, Mo., says: "I find the Wonderberry to be the best productive little plant I ever saw. They surely deserve the name so fitting, and could be called Wonderfulberry for their abundant yield and delicious flavor. From my fourteen plants I have gathered eight quarts of berries, and the plants are still full of black and green berries. Also full of blossoms."

A. S. METTON, Creston, B. C., Canada, says: "The Wonderberry seed I bought from you has turned out to be just as advertised, and as a preserve they are excellent. One party here has been selling them at $4.00 per crate, and I am going to plant a lot next spring."

FRED. H. GAY, Colorado Springs, Colo., says: "The Wonderberries have grown wonderfully and are covered with berries ripe and green, and we have picked several quarts from the vines, and we like them, especially cooked."

MRS. ELMINA BEVIER, Corliss, Wis., says: "Having seen a great deal said about the Wonderberry I wish to write to let you know that I think they are all right."

R. HOLLINGSWORTH, Minneapolis, Minn., says: "I have about thirty plants of the Wonderberry and at the present writing (Aug. 30th) have picked several quarts, and I want to say that as a pie berry they excell the Blueberry, which, in my estimation, is 'going some.' Catalogue descriptions are always strong, but I doubt if John Lewis Childs' description of the Wonderberry is even good enough. I expect to have 500 plants next year."

MRS. E. FINK, Dixon, Cal., says: "I feel it my duty to state some facts about the Wonderberry. I have quite a large patch of them planted in a very sunny place in the garden which proved to be best location for them, as the plants are growing rampant and are yielding thousands of berries which we claim are wholesome and delicious."

MRS. W. F. READ, Pueblo, Colo., says: "I have tried the Wonderberry this year with surprising results. We find they make very pleasing and palatable pies, much like the Blueberry."

J. J. WILSON, Broken Bow, Nebr., says: "I have seen some unjust criticisms concerning the Wonderberry and I cannot refrain from giving you my experience regarding same. Also in addition to protest against the absurd vilification of Mr. Burbank. I have at this time 150 full-grown bushes, one of which is over seven feet in diameter. From the largest plant I have this day picked more than a quart of berries. Every member of my family of eight relish the fruit, especially when made into pies or jam, and several of my neighbors have taken occasion to test its delicious flavor."

FLORA GODSEY, Hopkins, Mo., says: "The Wonderberries I received from you last spring have grown nicely and are loaded with berries, and I like them very well for making pies or preserves."

E. L. CRAIG, Evansville, Ind., says: "I set my plants in the back yard, and upon returning from a vacation trip I found the vines loaded with ripe and green berries. My wife preserved some and I never tasted anything more delicious in the berry line. They are certainly a wonder."

MR. W. D. BEACH, Editor of the *Agricultural Epitomist*, Spencer, Ind., says: "I wish to thank you for the Wonderberry bush half full of ripe berries. Certainly, it seems to us, there is not the slightest foundation for all the charges made by various individuals attacking this plant. Several who came into our office have tasted the Wonderberry and all declare it to be a very good thing in the raw state. It reminds me very much of the Blueberry."

MRS. E. L. PALMER, Gossett, Mont., says: "I want to thank both you and Mr. Burbank for the introduction of the Wonderberry. It is all you claim for it."

H. W. BUCKBEE, Seedsman, Rockford, Ill., says: "We note the testimony of Dr. Britton being a favorable report on the Wonderberry, which we endorse fully as being correct. Would also state that the writer has had the pleasure of eating a most delicious pie made from the Wonderberry."

A. G. JOHNSON, Agricultural Experiment Station, Lafayette, Ind., says: "I beg to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of a fine specimen of fruit of the Wonderberry. We are glad to have these. They are very fine."

MRS. E. L. AMES, Woburn, Mass., says: "The Wonderberry plants have grown well and have a large quantity of berries on them. I have made pies, also eaten them uncooked. We like them cooked best."

MRS. HATTIE VINCENT, Hayden, New Mex., says: "At this time (Aug. 26th) we are gathering every three days from six plants of the Wonderberry six quarts of fine, ripe berries. They make elegant pies, fruit puddings, etc. We find them almost too sweet for jams or jellies without the use of lemon juice. We have some plants that are eight feet in diameter, and are the wonder of everyone People here come for miles to see and sample them. Now when I tell you that other garden stuff did not make over one half a crop you can see why these plants excite so much attention."

REV. C. J. LAWSON, Irvington, Ky., says: "I set some Wonderberry plants in my garden and in a short time ate fruit from them. I had a goodly portion preserved and they were eaten at the table in preference to other preserves. I gave plants of the Wonderberry to my neighbors and they were well pleased with the fruit. I have never heard a single word of complaint of the Wonderberry."

MRS. MINNIE SHERRILL, Los Angeles, Calif., says: "Regarding the Wonderberry I will say that a more delicious pie was never eaten than can be made from the berries."

MRS. BERTHA M. PRICE, Cooperstown, N. Y., says: "In regard to the Wonderberry I can truthfully say I never saw a plant so quickly and easily grown and with such an abundance of berries. They are fine for preserves and dessert, and the flavor is especially pleasing in pies, They are good in every way I have cooked them. The Wonderberry is all and more than I expected it to be."

And hundreds have been crowded out for lack of space.

Everyone will find the Sunberry or Improved Wonderberry, which we are selling exclusively, SUPERIOR TO THE ORIGINAL WHICH HAS PROVED SO VERY GOOD.

Hardy Bulbs for Fall Planting Only.

The following 11 pages are devoted to Hardy or Holland Bulbs which CAN ONLY be planted in the FALL, Sept. to Dec.

NOTE—These Bulbs cannot be supplied before Sept. and all orders for them received previous to Sept. will be booked for shipment then. In short, customers may order them at any time, and we will supply them at the proper season for planting. They are usually ordered during the fall months (Sept. to Dec.) but may be ordered at anytime.

FALL CATALOGUE—This department will to a large extent take the place of our regular Fall Catalogue as previously issued. A brief Catalogue of Fall Bulbs and Winter-blooming Plants will be issued about Sept. 1st. and mailed only to such customers as ordered Fall Bulbs or Plants the previous Autumn. It will be sent to others on application.

For winter blooming in pots or for early spring blooming in the garden nothing surpasses Fall Bulbs. Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, Crocus, Oxalis, Freesias etc. They are very easily grown.

Culture in the Garden.

Fall bulbs are especially valuable for outdoor planting, as they bloom at a time when the garden is utterly destitute, and make it gay and attractive. For garden culture bulbs do not need a very rich soil and are easily cared for. Plant in September, October or November, which are the best months. Late in the fall the beds can be covered with leaves or other coarse litter, which should be removed early in spring. After the bulbs are through flowering the leaves soon turn yellow and die, and are then ripe enough to be taken up and stored away for planting again in the fall, leaving the beds to be filled with other plants for the summer display, or, if desired, they can be left in the beds.

For Winter Blooming in Pots.

Pot culture of Fall Bulbs is very simple. They can be potted during September, October or November, watered well and set away in a cellar or any cool, dark place to make roots, where, after remaining four or six weeks, or as much longer as desired, they can be brought out for blooming. We advise potting the bulbs as early as possible, especially if flowers are desired as early as New Year's, for the longer time they have to make roots the better they will bloom. By bringing out a few pots at different times a succession of bloom can be kept up all winter. If they are kept in a cool place while in bloom the flowers will keep perfect a long time.

Window Plants for Winter Use.

All the plants offered in this catalogue beginning at page 109 can be supplied either spring or fall—in fact any time of year. We grow an extra fine stock of these plants for fall trade, and the following are highly recommended and valuable in fall as well as spring.—Azaleas, Begonias, Callas, Cyclamen, Geraniums, Ferns, Cape Jessamine, Orange, Lemon, Olea, Hibiscus, Streptosolen, Primroses, Palms, Roses, Violets. We always grow strong, healthy plants of these for fall trade, plants that will make a fine show during winter.

Bulbs and Plants which may be planted Either Fall or Spring.

Hardy Bulbs and Plants—All hardy Bulbs and Perennials offered in this catalogue may be ordered and planted in **Fall** as well as **Spring**, such as Lilies, Peonies, Iris, Phloxes, Hardy Bulbous Vines, etc. They are offered in this catalogue following Summer Bulbs, (green paper) terminating with page 108.

Hardy Flowering Shrubs, and vines, Privet for hedges etc., may be planted in fall as well as spring. October and November are good months.

Choice Fruits—All Fruits offered in this catalogue are suitable for planting either spring or fall. Oct. and Nov. are good fall months, but Strawberries can be supplied in Aug. and Sept. also.

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In ordering this Collection ask for "SURPRISE COLLECTION of FALL BULBS."

CHILDS' SELECTED HYACINTH BULBS.

Beyond doubt the Hyacinth is the Queen of Spring. Its hardiness, ease of culture, and certainty to bloom, would alone insure popularity, but it has the additional merit of being one of the most decorative and ornamental of plants. Its massive spikes of waxen flowers are of the most perfect shape and most delicious fragrance, while its colors sport into a hundred shades, tints and blendings. Out of the long lists of Holland growers we have chosen the *very cream* of all varieties either for pot or garden culture. *The bulbs here offered are not second size or inferior quality, but large sized.*

12 Best Single Hyacinths.

These are the finest sorts for pots or gardens, and the bulbs offered are every one of a select large size that will give magnificent results.

Grand Marvel—A most beautiful sort. Large spikes of handsome blush-white bells. Few so fine as this.

Norma—Beautiful pink, very large and extra early.

Gertrude—Tall, with heavy spikes of extra large flowers of a distinct shade of lilac-pink, running to silver-rose, striped carmine. Extra fine.

Gigantea—Thick spikes and large bells of a beautiful flesh color. One of the grandest sorts.

King of the Blues—An enormous, compact spike of bloom, of a deep indigo blue color. One of the finest.

La Franchise—A magnificent variety. Large, long spikes of blush-white blossoms, turning afterwards to a snowy-white; petals very broad, and flowers of great substance, measuring two inches across.

Pieneman—A magnificent sort with enormous sky-blue bells arranged in graceful spikes of great size.

La Grandesse—Finest single white. Very large spikes and bells. Color, clear waxy-white.

Mammoth or Lily Hyacinth—Gigantic pendulous bells, each one of which is almost as large as a small Lily. Color, white, delicately shaded blush. Most superb.

Obelisque—A rare and exceedingly scarce variety, being the grandest of all yellow colors. Spike compact, while the color is the very best yellow.

Queen of the Blues—Enormous spikes; one of the very largest. Beautiful light blue with silvery appearance.

Roi des Belges—Fine, massive spikes, crowded with flowers that open a rich self-carmine, gradually turning into a dark, glowing crimson. The brightest Hyacinth.

Price, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.75

Mixed Hyacinths.

Our mixed Hyacinths are not ordinary stock, but fine large bulbs, which will give magnificent bloom either in the house or garden.

	Per doz.	Per 100
Single Mixed, all Colors, extra fine	.75	$4 50
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Double and Single Mixed, extra fine	.65	$4 00
Pompon Mixed, all Colors, double and single	.50	$2 50
Roman Mixed, all Colors, double and single	.50	$2 50

12 Best Double Hyacinths.

Grand select bulbs, grown especially for winter blooming, for which purpose each variety here offered is a real gem. Please remember that these bulbs are extra large and strong.

Bouquettendre—Tall and compact truss; beautifully shaped florets of a tender rose color.

Bouquet Royal—Fine light pink or blush. Extra large spike and very beautiful.

Grootvorst—Compact truss, large and very double bells of blush-white, with a touch of lilac-rose at center.

La Virginate—Spikes of tubular bells; soft blush-white.

Sunflower—Splendid large flower; one of the best yellows.

La Tour d' Auvergne—Very early flowering, and the best of all double whites. Florets large and wax-like and spikes of immense size. Finest double Hyacinth for pots.

Noble par Merite—Fine, compact spikes of large, double flowers, as perfect as little Roses. A soft shell-pink, gradually deepening into a deep peach-carmine.

Othello—Fine deep indigo-black. A very fine and rare color of exceeding richness and beauty.

Milton—Fine compact spike of great size and magnificent colors, being a deep dark red of a peculiar richness. This is one of the very choicest varieties.

Isabella—Fine large spike, florets of perfect form; color, soft-blush-lilac, delicate and pretty.

Gerick—Beautiful blue, fine large bells.

Prince of Orange—Extra large and magnificent spike. Color, fine rosy crimson.

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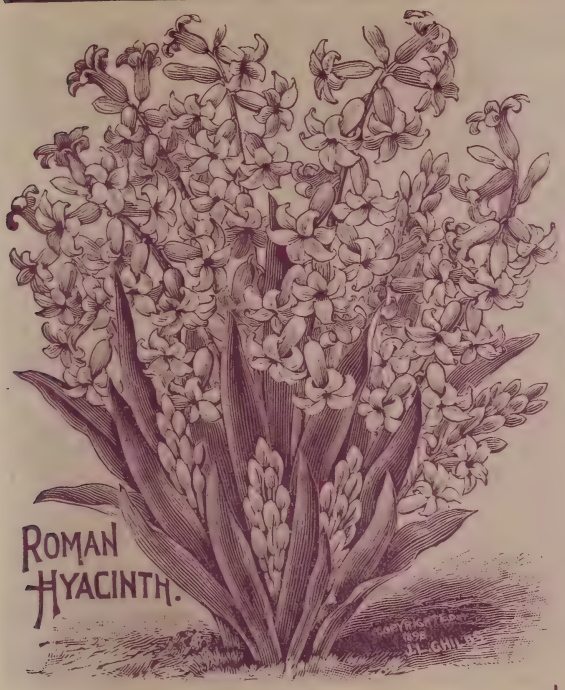
Mixed Named Hyacinths Under Color.

Single White,	**Mixed**	**Double White,**	**Mixed**
" **Red**	"	" **Red**	"
" **Pink**	"	" **Pink**	"
" **Blue**	"	" **Blue**	"
" **Yellow**	"	" **Yellow**	"

10c. *each*; *the* 10 *for* 80c. *or either color at* 85c. *per dozen.*

Extra Mixed Hyacinths for Pots.

These bulbs are *extra large* and *fine*, selected particularly for winter blooming, and will give great results for pot culture. $1.00 per dozen.



Roman Hyacinths.

Not at all like the Dutch or Show Hyacinths, though they do not suffer by comparison. The slender stems, arching beneath their load of dainty poised bells, are the acme of grace and elegance, while so many spikes are thrown up from each bulb that the whole plant appears a mass of blooms. Roman Hyacinths are extra good for cutting, and so early that they bloom by Christmas, or before, remaining in perfection nearly a month if the room is not kept too warm. They are extremely early and bloom in the garden with the Crocus. A bulb can be planted in a 4-inch pot, or 3 in a 5-inch pot. The bulbs we offer are extra large.

Single White—Every window should have several pots of these. Exquisite bells, white as the driven snow and pleasantly fragrant. Never fails to bloom. Extra large.

Single Blue—Dark blue bells. About ten days later than the white with which it forms a fine contrast.

Single Pink—Lovely shade.

Double Pink—These are larger than the single sorts, and have elegant wavy bells of shell-pink.

Extra Large Bulbs, 6c. each; the 4 for 20c.; 55c. per dozen.

Mixed Romans—50c. per dozen.

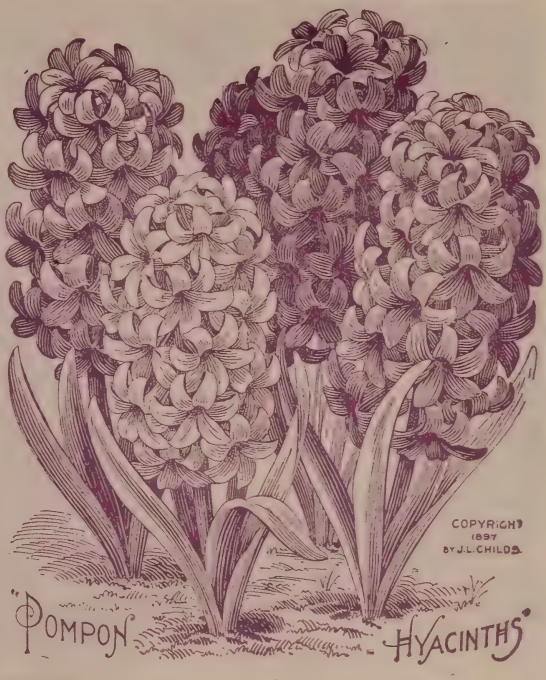
Hyacinthus Belgicus.

This resembles the Grape Hyacinth more than any other, yet it is very distinct, its spikes being much longer and looser and the bells wider and longer in every way. It is also equally adapted to garden or pots, producing a mass of bloom that is very striking and beautiful. Should be planted in masses to produce the best effect. Five or six bulbs may be planted in a 5-inch pot, and will need no more care than other Hyacinths.

MIXED COLORS—*20c. per dozen; $1.25 per 100.*

Cockade Hyacinth.

A real curiosity. First, a frizzed, cockade-like spike, an inch or two in length appears above the soil, and as it slowly rises on its long stalks, it becomes five or six times as large as at first, developing into a long feathery blue plume, and lasting for weeks in that condition. One of those pretty, odd things that everybody likes. Perfectly hardy in the garden, and fine for pots. In fact, one of the best and oddest winter flowers. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.



Pompon Hyacinths.

A class of Hyacinths with comparatively small bulbs, and as they are usually compact growers, can be more cheaply grown than the larger bulbed class. While the spikes scarcely average as heavy as other Hyacinths, the difference is small, and many specimens are fully equal to the best of the latter. They are splendid for either garden or pots, while for cutting they are the best of all. Every hue, shade and color is found among them; the flowers are large and wax-like, and the spikes airy and graceful.

Mixed Pompon Hyacinths—All colors, double and single, 50c. per dozen; $2.50 per 100.

Grape Hyacinths.

One of the sweetest flowers imaginable, and in masses very striking, making a wave of intensest blue that catches every eye. As hardy as an oak, and as it increases rapidly should be planted in every garden. Its spikes are just the size for buttonhole bouquets, while its long stems enable it to be used to advantage in all bouquets or cut-flower work. If you want a "pot of blue," that will make your window a thing of beauty for a month in mid-winter, plant half a dozen bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as other Hyacinths, and you will have your desire. They never fail to bloom, each bulb sending up two or more flower stalks.

Sky Blue—Most fairy-like. | **Snow White**—Milky white.
Indigo Blue—Tipped white. | **Mixed Sorts.**

3c. each; 15c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100; 3 each of 3 sorts, 15c.

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There is no question that the Tulip is the most popular spring flower that grows. The soft, seductive breezes have scarce whispered in our ears that spring is at hand ere our eyes, wearied by winter's dull, sombre, lifeless tints, are dazzled by a sudden blaze of Tulips in rainbow shades, ribboning the earth with warmth and color. From the first Duc Van Thol, scarce peeping above the ground, to the last Gesneriana Tulip, holding its flaming cup high aloft, there is a constant succession of Tulip beauties—single, double, dwarf, tall, early, medium and late, with blossoms cup-shaped, star-formed, bowl-like, Pæony-flowered, imbricated like a Rose, twisted, waved and horned, like the plumage of some fantastic bird. No garden can be complete without plenty of Tulips. Have some of all kinds, they are so cheap.

Grand Double Tulips.

Double Tulips produce very large double flowers, many of which are as large and showy as a Peony. The bright colors of the large double blossoms contrast splendidly and make a charming display.

8 VERY FINE SORTS.

Blue Flag—Late. Flowers beautiful shape; a distinct color of purplish-blue.
Double Crown—Large and double flower. Dark cardinal-red, with black shading. One of the best.
Duke of York—Beautiful incurved flowers of poppy-red, broadly edged white.
Gloria Solus—Of enormous size and very double. Bright scarlet, edged yellow.
La Candeur—Large and double; wax-like pure white. Largely used for cemetery planting.
Ma Cousin—Of remarkable coloring. Carmine-violet edged pink and flamed golden yellow and brick-red.
Lady Palmerston—Fine rosy-scarlet. A lovely color.
Yellow Rose—A magnificent sort, of very largest size and most perfect form. Deep, brilliant yellow.

Price, 3c. *each*; *the* 8 *for* 20c.; *or* 25c. *per dozen*,

8 EXTRA FINE DOUBLE TULIPS.

Alba Maxima—Enormous flowers, perfectly double, like a Peony, pure white in color, with delicate shadowy tinge of soft pink. Exceedingly fine.
Count de Leicester—Another very distinct and finely colored sort. Light orange feathered yellow.
Mariage de Ma Fille—Immense flower of the most perfect shape and superb coloring. Carmine-red, banded, striped, flaked and feathered with pure white.
Murillo—Large, graceful flowers of a flesh-white, bordered and clouded rose.
Queen Victoria—Blood-red. Very double.
Rex Rubrorum—Large double flowers of deepest scarlet. Very double and perfect.
Rose Blanche—Large incurved white; most perfect shape.
Salvator Rose—Gigantic size, elegant shape and of the loveliest soft rosy color, with pure white stripes.

Price, 5c. *each*; *the* 8 *for* 30c.; 3 *of each for* 75c.; *or* 35c. *per dozen*

The 16 Sorts for 40c.

Splendid Mixed Double Tulips—All colors and varieties, 25c. per doz.; $1.50 per 100; $12.00 per 1000. Extra large bulbs.

Duc Van Thol Tulips.

These are the best of all for house culture and the first of all to bloom out of doors. They are noted for the depth and purity of their colors, and as they bloom two weeks in advance of all other Tulips, are quite indispensable in the garden, as well as for the house.

Gold Striped—Scarlet, striped gold.
Rose—White, shaded with clear rose, beautiful
Scarlet—Dazzling scarlet.
Violet—Lovely violet-crimson, white border.
White—A fine, pure color.
Orange—A fine bedder.
Double—Double, early and fine. Brilliant, red and yellow.

PRICE—5c. *each*; *the* 7 *for* 25c.; 35c. *per dozen*.

Mixed Duc Van Thol Tulips—All colors, 25c, per dozen; $1.50 per 100.

THE SWEET SCENTED TULIP.

Large, golden-yellow; very sweet. Buds, when closed, look like an enormous Tea Rose. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Single Tulips.

The Single Early Tulips are great for bedding and for winter blooming in pots. The following are the *very best kinds.*

8 VERY FINE SORTS.

Cardinal's Hat—Rich blood-scarlet; gold tinted border.
Duchess of Parma—Extra large, early and glorious colored. Orange-yellow, shading to terra cotta, with fiery yellow and brown shading. Bright and showy.
L'Immaculee—Beautiful snowy-white with lemon eye.
Purple Crown—Cup-shaped flower maroon-cardinal.
Cottage Maid or La Precieuse—Lovely pink and white, most charmingly suffused and feathered, of immense size, most unique in color and one of the loveliest Tulips that ever bloomed either for pots or the garden.
Chrysolora—Very large flower and widely-opened. Color a splendid golden yellow.
Miltiades—Large, elegant flower, splendidly cupped. Pure white, exquisitely shaded and clouded soft pink.
White Swan—Large, pure white flowers; extra fine for winter blooming.

Price, 3c. each; the 8 for 20c.; 3 of each for 50c.; 25c. per dozen.

8 EXTRA FINE SORTS.

Color de Cardinal—Large cup-shaped blossoms of a rich cardinal-red. Intensely brilliant.
Kaiser Kroon—Outside of each petal bright scarlet, broadly bordered yellow; inside deep yellow zoned with wide center band of velvety scarlet, glowing like fire. Extra large size.
Globe de Rigaud—Very large, round flowers of an odd lilac shade, freely striped and flaked pure white.
Joost Van Vondal—Beautiful glossy rose, deep, rich red and pure snow-white, the colors mingled and blended together in a charming manner. One of the largest and very finest.
Proserpine—A grand flower and a superb color. Exquisite rosy-scarlet, a shade not found in any other sort and lovely beyond description. Great size, beautifully cupped.
Verboom—Flower of gigantic size, beautifully cupped, scarlet-red. Extra early and fine in every way.
Von der Neer—A splendid large flower of a rare and lovely bright violet-color. Very distinct.
Silver Standard—Beautiful shade flowers of a fresh carmine-scarlet, striped and feathered white. Very showy.

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Above 16 sorts for only 45c.

MIXED SINGLE TULIPS.

Extra Fine Mixed-Single Tulips, 20c. per doz.; $1.25 per 100; $10.00 per 1000. All extra large bulbs.

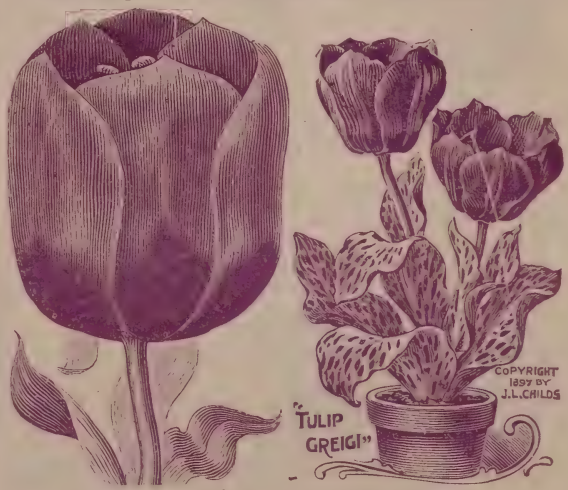
Tulipa Greigi.

Its large, green leaves are variegated with black spots, flowers of the largest size, transparent scarlet, as clear and beautiful as a sheet of wax. No other Tulip has a color like it, and none are so strikingly beautiful. Its magnificent color shows up almost like a torch in a dark night. 15c. ea.; 3 for 40c.

Bizard and Bybloom Tulips.

It seems strange these are not more commonly grown for their large, cup-like blossoms feathered and flaked as only a Tulip can be, are always admired more than any other. Bybloom have white, light or violet grounds, flaked and feathered, rose, lilac, pink, purple, violet, scarlet, black and crimson. Bizards have yellow grounds, flamed and blazed maroon, black, scarlet, bronze and brown.

Byblooms and Bizards—Fine mixed. Elegantly feathered and variegated. 4 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for $1.25.

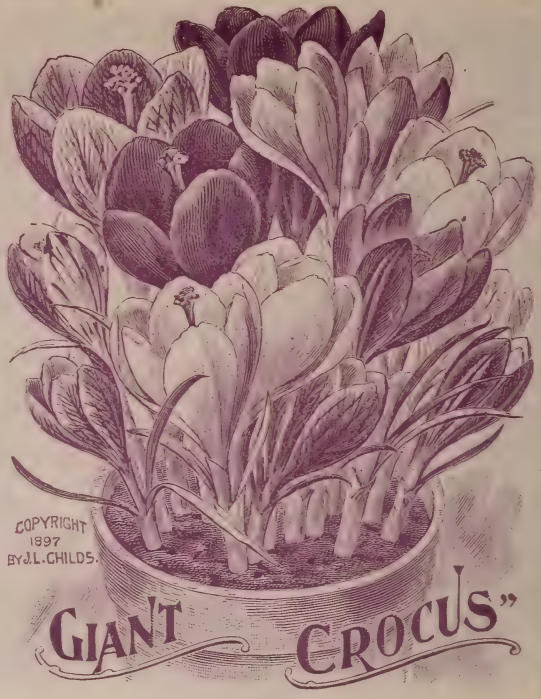


Tulipa Gesneriana.

Large leaves, and tall, erect flower stalks, which support great waxen blooms larger than tea cups, of the most vivid, glossy, coral-red, each flower showing a deep blue-black blotch at the base that further enhances its beauty. They remain in bloom a long time, and clumps of this grand flower are particularly fine planted among evergreens or shrubbery, lighting up their sombre background as with a torch.

Spathula Scarlet, Blue Center—The true Gesneriana, as described above.
Lutea—Fine golden-yellow.
Queen Emma—Pink, white center.
Maxima—Beautiful large red.
Rosa Lind—Fine rose color.

5c. each; the 5 for 20c. 40c. per dozen.



Parrot Tulips.

A flower more bizarre, fantastic, or gorgeous, would be hard to find. A bed or clump of them always attracts much attention. They are six, seven and eight inches across, with petals toothed, horned, twisted and waved, now loosely incurved, now spread flatly out like a star. Some are yellow, some are crimson, or again dashed, flaked or feathered with green, gold or scarlet. Fine to plant among shrubbery, or for bedding. They grow ten inches in height, and bloom just after the double Tulips. Our Parrot Tulips are extra large bulbs sure to bloom. Small ones will not bloom.

Constantinople—Fine deep crimson.
Gloriosa—Yellow, splashed and striped crimson and green.
Perfecta—Gaily striped, yellow and red.
Lutea Major—Fine yellow.
Cramoise Brilliant—Deep, dark, rich ruby-crimson, with large star-shaped black center, 9 inches across.

Price, 4c. each; the 5 for 15c.; 30c. per dozen.

Fine Mixed Parrot Tulips—All varieties. Doz. 20c.; 100 $1.25

Darwin Tulips.

A new race of Tulips which produce only solid self colors and bloom early in May. The flowers are of great size, like Gesneriana, and are borne on tall graceful stems. The colors are exceedingly rich and varied, ranging through all the shades of rose, deep red, violet, purple-blues to coal-black. Darwins are probably the most showy class of Tulips in cultivation, a bed of them producing an effect which for rich splendor is not surpassed by any other flower. A valuable novelty which all should try.

Auber—Deep plum, blue base, white eye.
Circe—Heliotrope flushed white.
Loveliness—Soft rosy carmine.
Nymph—White shaded rose.
The Sultan—Pure black.

6c. each; the 5 for 25c.; 50c. per dozen.

Mixed—All colors and shades. Dozen, 30c.; 100 for $1.75.

Mixed Tulips.

Our mixed Tulips are of extra fine quality being made up from first-class named sorts and much superior to the ordinary grades. All extra large bulbs.

	Per doz.	Per 100.	Per 1000.
Double Fine Mixed—All colors..	25	$1 50	$12 00
Single Fine Mixed—All colors..	20	1 25	10 00
Parrot Fine Mixed—All colors..	20	1 25	11 00
Byblooms and Bizards Fine Mixed—All colors.....	25	1 50	12 00
Duc Van Thol, Fine Mixed—All colors.....	25	1 50	12 00
Darwin, Fine Mixed—Grand...	30	1 75	15 00
Mayflowering, Mixed.....	25	1 50	12 00

The so called Mayflowering Tulips are a class of late blooming sorts, amomg which are the Byblooms, Bizards, Darwins and other species. They are very showy if the weather is cool and damp at the time of blooming. Mixed 25c. per dozen; $1.50 per 100.

Select Crocus.

The Crocus is the recognized harbinger of spring. Between the lulls of late winter's tempest its brave little flowers first appear, minding not the least frosts or flurries of snow. For six weeks its bright flowers smile saucily at us, quite sure of their welcome. Their cost is so trifling that all can afford to plant them freely. The Crocus has been much improved late years in size of bloom and variety of colorings. Crocus are extra fine for borders, etc., and are particularly charming dotted by twos and threes over the lawn. They come in earliest spring, and peep through grass, as the wild flowers do in the meadows.

Fine Mixed Crocus—Of all colors. Fine, select bulbs, 10c. per dozen; 60c. per 100.; $4.00 per 1,000.

Giant Flowered Crocus.

A few special extra large-flowering sorts of which we offer extra fine bulbs either for winter blooming or for garden planting.

Giant White—Enormous pure white lily-like blossoms.
Giant Yellow—Gigantic bulbs which produce large golden blossoms in great masses.
Giant Striped—(Lord Fielding)—Great blossoms beautifully striped violet on white ground.
Giant Blue—(Sir J. Franklin)—Largest and finest blue.

PRICE—*15c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100; 3 of each for 20c.*

Giant Flowered Mixed—This strain is a special mixture of the best new sorts and improved seedlings, prepared for us in Holland by those who make a specialty of these bulbs. Only those sorts with the largest flowers and best colors are admitted in the mixture. Either for garden or house this Crocus mixture cannot be surpassed. Crocus for the house do not thrive under dry heat or gas, but do well in any sunny window of moderate temperature; they can also be grow in rooms almost destitute of fire heat. Try them, both in the garden and in pots. 15c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100.

40 Flowered Crocus.

It is astonishing the amount of blooms a single bulb of this Crocus will furnish. The handsome flowers are very large and brilliant and a row of them is a wave of gold. Not another flower of its season makes such a display of brightness or becomes such a complete mass of bloom. More than 40 blooms have been counted from a single bulb. Bulbs are about the size of a Tulip and bloom extra early. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for $1.40.

Narcissus.

The airy grace and refined beauty of the Single Narcissus has no superior and few equals among flowers. The beautiful trumpet forms are the height of floral beauty, and the colors harmonious and refined.

12 Finest Single Narcissus.

The rarer and most beautiful Single Narcissus can now be offered at a low price, and the following 12 sorts are exceptionally good. In fact the very best Narcissus grown.

Ard Righ—Fine yellow trumpet. Extra.
Albicans Moschatus—Almost pure white.
Henry Irving—A perfect flower, rich yellow.
Golden Spur—Flowers 4½ to 5 inches across, and nearly as long. Petals of the perianth broad and smooth, long and widely flared trumpets, deeply frilled and furrowed.
Sir Watkins—A gigantic flower, 4 to 5 inches across, with broad wing-like petals that shade from canary-yellow at the tips to golden yellow base.
Horsefieldi—Enormous yellow trumpet, white perianth.
Emperor—Broad, rich yellow trumpet, perianth deep primrose. Its foliage is very strong and the blooms enormous.
Empress—Possesses the same gigantic size and form of the Emperor, but with golden perianth and white trumpet.
M. de Graaff—Long, white perianth, orange cup. Elegant Leedsi type.
Mrs. Langtry—Perianth white, broad white cup. Another Leedsi beauty.
Princeps—Elegant large trumpets of a delicate canary-yellow, and large, sulphur-white perianth. Very early.
Incomparabilis Simplex—The old golden Daffodil.

5c. *each*; *the* 12 *for* 50c.; 50c. *per dozen*.

Double Narcissus.

Double Narcissus are very attractive on account of their large, perfectly formed blossoms, long keeping qualities and early blooming. The fine, harmonious colors of white, lemon, orange, sulphur, straw, primrose, are exquisite.

Albo Pleno Odorato—A pure white flower of medium size, but very double. Late.
Incomparable—Medium early. Large, handsome flowers as double as a rose. Bright canary, interspersed with orange center petals.
Orange Phœnix—Nearly pure white outer petals. Center well filled with mixed white and deep orange petals.
Van Sion—Old but unexcelled. Extra fine for cutting. Single star-like petals and long, double trumpet, filled with beautiful crimped petals; golden yellow.
PRICE *of above finest Double sorts*. 5c. *each*; *the* 4 *for* 15c.; *any variety at* 40c. *per dozen*.

Narcissus Poeticus.

Well known and loved by all. Exquisite garden flowers yet equally valuable for winter blooming in pots, of which Ornatus is the grandest. Try them.

Poeticus, Pure White—With scarlet-edged crown.
Poeticus Ornatus—Fine for garden or pots. Blooms three weeks earlier and is larger and finer.
Poeticus Poetarum—Pure white with orange scarlet cup.
Poeticus, fl. pl. Double—The charming double Poeticus. Pure white with Jasmine fragrance.

5c. *each*. *The* 4 *for* 15c.; 35c. *per dozen*.

SELECT MIXED NARCISSUS.

Extra fine bulbs and extra fine sorts.
Single Mixed—30c. per dozen; $1.50 per 100.
Double Mixed—35c. per dozen; $1.75 per 100.
Polyanthus Mixed—50c. per dozen; $3 50 per 100.

DOUBLE ROMAN AND PAPER WHITE GRANDIFLORA.

Two Grand Narcissus.

For winter blooming few bulbs are so popular and so largely grown as the Paper White Grandiflora and Double Roman Narcissus. Realizing their importance we have, by special contract, secured from France a quantity of bulbs of each, which are of EXTRA SIZE AND STRENGTH, especially for pot culture, and the amount and beauty of blooms from these fine bulbs will be far greater than from ordinary ones.

Paper White Grandiflora—An improvement on the common Paper White, the flowers being about twice the size, of beautiful star-like form, pearly whiteness and delicious fragrance. It is a very early and profuse bloomer, and can be had in full beauty at Christmas and New Year's.
Double Roman, White—This is one of the most beautiful and fragrant of all the Narcissus family. It is grown so extensively in Palestine and Turkey that it is known as the Sacred Narcissus of Constantinople. In Jerusalem it is the leading favorite of all flowers. Flowers very double, pure white with yellow center and borne in large clusters. Its fragrance is superb, and blooms very early and freely either in pots or the open ground. A grand winter bloomer.

Extra large select bulbs 10c. each; *the* 3 *for* 25c.; *12 for* 65c.

Polyanthus Narcissus.

These are considered the best of all Narcissus for pot culture, and by many esteemed the most beautiful. By starting the dry bulbs at intervals from September until January, a succession of flowers can be secured from Christmas until the first of May. No trouble to grow. Treat as you would Hyacinths. The flowers of this class are borne in large clusters and are exceedingly fragrant, like orange blossoms.

MIXED—We have a mixture of these splendid bulbs and at the very low price of 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.; 25 for $1,00.

Ornithogalum Arabicum.

A native of Arabia. Bulbs large and solid, closely resembling that of Hyacinth, and requiring exactly the same culture; leaves long and narrow, flower spike 18 to 24 inches high, long and graceful, bearing an immense cluster of large pearly-white flowers having a jet-black center. The illustration gives a good idea of its great beauty. The individual flowers keep perfect many weeks before fading, so that for more than a month this grand spike of bloom is in full glory. Its durability is almost without equal among flowers. Add to this its delicate aromatic fragrance and we have a winter bloomer which all must admit stands without a rival. Its culture is the easiest, as it will grow in any position in any window. A bulb can be planted in a four-inch pot, or several in a large pot or box. Extra large bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Allium Neapolitanum.

Indispensable, its pearly-white blossoms lasting so long, and its long stems and airy grace fitting it for all cut-flower work. Sure to bloom and daintily pretty. It is hardy out of doors in a sheltered location, but indoors is one of the easiest of bulbs to grow. Three or four bulbs can be placed in a 4-inch pot. Stems rise to a height of eighteen inches, bearing beautiful umbels of starry flowers that remain perfect for a month or more. We offer very large, selected bulbs that will produce a wonderful amount of bloom. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 7 for 25c.; 12 for 30c.

Iris Hispanica.

Magnificent plants both for pots and the garden. They bloom early and profusely, and are exceedingly showy. The colors are brilliant and cover a large range of different shades and combinations. Four and five bulbs planted in a 5-inch pot make a beautiful display for a long time in winter, and are absolutely sure to bloom well in any situation, treated like Hyacinths. In the open ground they are perfectly hardy, increase rapidly and make a magnificent display. It is really one of the most satisfactory of all Holland bulbs, and as they are very cheap we advise planting them largely.

All Colors Mixed—2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for $1.00.
Pure White—Large and fine. } *4c. each; the 4 for 12c.; 35c. per doz*
Pure Yellow—Rich deep golden. }
Blue—A fine rich shade.
Thunderbolt—Bronzy black; extra large.

Jonquils.

These dainty flowers are a gleam of gold when in bloom and large clumps or masses of them are always admired. They are extra fine for pots, from their beautiful color, profusion and delightful fragrance and they flower very early in the window. In the garden they are perfectly hardy, and their lovely blossoms appear almost as soon as Crocus.

Single—Very dainty pure gold and very sweet.
Double—Perfect little golden roses of the most exquisite beauty and fragrance. Nothing finer for bouquets.
Giant Odorous—Flowers twice the size of other Jonquils, but retain the same beautiful color and fragrance, together with profusion of bloom.

5c. *each*; 3 *for* 10c.; 12 *for* 30c.

Snowdrops.

The earliest flower that blooms, and of such hardiness that it minds neither sleet nor snow. Its nodding white flowers are exceedingly graceful and pretty. It is especially fine when planted in clumps and masses to contrast with the deeply blue masses of Scilla. Much used for lawns.

Elwesii, The Giant Snowdrop—The grace and beauty of the large blossoms is enchanting, but what can we say of its fragrance, it is rich and so delicate, unlike any other flower, and really second to none. This fine new Snowdrop was introduced recently from the mountains of Smyrna. It is three times as large and fine as the common variety, and a great acquisition, either for the garden or for pots. Price 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for 85c.
Double Giant—Fine double flowers. 4c. each; 3 for 10c; 12 for 25c.

Fritillaria Meleagris.

The newer varieties of this charming bulbous plant produce flowers of great and peculiar beauty and they are really among the most desirable of all fall bulbs for any purpose. They are superb for flowering in pots during winter, and for early spring blooming in the garden. The large, curiously colored flowers always attract great attention. They are of various colors and shades, but all are regularly and distinctly checked. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Triteleia Uniflora.

This is the "Starflower," now becoming so popular for both winter and spring blooming. The flowers are white, tipped and faintly striped lilac-blue, and are remarkably sweet-scented. A fine window plant if several bulbs are planted to a pot, as they bloom steadily for two months, and need no fussing with to succeed. One of the most charming fairy-like white flowers for winter. Price, 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

Snowflake.

The airily poised blossoms of the Snowflake are exceedingly graceful. The snowy bells are touched at each petal tip with freshest green, a contrast most beautiful. Can be grown in a cool window, in the border, or at the foot of the rockery. Grow about nine inches high. For pots they are good, but do not bloom early. Give them time to develop slowly and they will be superb. 5c. each; 2 for 10c.; 12 for 40c.

Chionodoxa.

(GLORY OF THE SNOW.)

The purest, clearest tones of blue are to be found in these flowers, that appear so early that they are often overtaken by winter's last forays. Blue is always a scarce color among house plants, and as the Chionodoxa succeed well in the house, a pot or two of them should be grown in every window. Their greatest value, however, is for garden planting. Here they form great clumps that in early spring are a cloud of dainty blue sprays. Mixed colors. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per doz.

Scilla Siberica.

Hardy and fine. Blooms at the very edge of winter, and laughs at storms and sleets. Beautiful spikes of deepest blue flowers, freely produced and for a long time. Everyone who possesses a foot of ground ought to grow this. It should always be planted in groups, either in house or open ground. Nothing finer for pots. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per doz.; $1 per 100.

Calochortus.

The flowers are very large, borne on long stems and are of the most charming butter-fly colors, white, yellow, buff, crimson, purple, spotted and shaded in a charming manner. For winter bloom they require only to be potted (4 or 5 in a 5-inch pot,) and treated like Hyacinth or Crocus. When in bloom they will be a marvel of beauty and last a long time.

Splendid Mixed-All colors, 2 for 5c.; 12 for 25c.

Ixias.

The Ixias produce their beautiful flowers in spikes, and are of the most dazzling and brilliant colors and sure to attract great attention. For pot culture in the house they give great satisfaction, being of easy culture and free bloomers. Half a dozen bulbs may be planted in a five-inch pot, and the display will be magnificent. For open ground culture give them winter protection, with leaves or straw. Mixed, all colors. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per doz.

Sparaxis.

The blossoms are very large and open flat, presenting some of the most curious and beautiful combinations of colors to be found. Their exceeding beauty at once captivates all beholders, and it is difficult to find a pot of flowers which will be more generally admired or bloom better than a pot of these fascinating Sparaxis. They require the same treatment as Ixias or Freesias. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

SPECIAL OFFER, 2 each of above 8 fine bulbs for 30c.; 12 each for $1.50.

Two Lilies for Easter.

These are all extra fine pot Lilies for winter blooming. As pot flowers for Easter they surpass everything else.

Harrisi or Bermuda Easter Lily—Large, pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers of great beauty and fragrance; as a winter bloomer nothing can surpass it. Plant in six to eight-inch pots of good soil and treat like other winter-blooming bulbs. It is impossible to describe the charming beauty of this Lily as a pot plant. Our bulbs are extra large, strong and healthy, and fully matured before lifting.

Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, which will give magnificent results, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Good flowering bulbs, 15c. each; 3 for 40c. 12 for $1.00.

Candidum—This fine Lily produces from six to thirty lovely waxy-white blossoms, which have the most delicious fragrance of all Lilies. It is one of the most charming winter flowers, and sure to bloom freely. Treat the same as L. Harrisi. *Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, 30c. each; 3 for* 75c. *Good bulbs,* 15c. *each; 3 for* 40c.

Sacred Lilies.

Of all winter flowers the Sacred Lilies are probably the most popular and universally grown. Few flowers equal them in beauty and fragrance or ease of culture.

Imperial Chinese Sacred Lily—The greatest and most popular winter-blooming bulbs. Bulbs large and each one sends up from five to twelve spikes, which bear clusters of large, perfect, waxy-white blossoms with a yellow center, and a powerful and delicate fragrance, which is not excelled by any flower. They grow well in pots of soil; but the most popular way of blooming them is the Chinese method, as follows: Fill a bowl or some similar vessel with pebbles in which place the bulb, setting it about one-half its depth, so that it will be held firmly; then fill with water to the top of the pebbles, and place in a warm sunny window. The bulb will at once commence a rapid growth and bloom in three weeks. We advise to plant this variety; it will be much better than the common and cheaper one. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Japanese Double Sacred Lily—Fine, large clusters of double blossoms. Pure white, with orange center. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Golden Sacred Lily—As compared with the Chinese Sacred Lily this produces a much larger flower, though the bulb is smaller. Its fragrance is even better and its color a deep, glowing yellow. 5c. each; 6 for 25c.

The 3 sorts for 30c.

The Black Calla.

This is a strictly winter bloomer and will bloom no other time. Its flowers are enormous, fully a foot in length; color, clear coal-black, so intense that it really shows a brilliancy, and as may well be imagined, it is a flower of most striking oddity and beauty. A person who possesses a bulb of this Calla has, indeed, a treasure which will be the envy of the entire neighborhood. The bulbs are large, and should be potted in the fall, and when growth commences set in a window. After blooming, the foliage will die down, and the bulbs should be kept dry for planting again in the fall. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Freesias.

A new class of bulbs, splendidly adapted to winter-blooming in the window. They are always sure to succeed and bloom elegantly for anyone in any situation, and the great beauty and fragrance of the flowers are everywhere admired. The blossoms or buds when cut and placed in vases of water will keep perfect two weeks. In pots they commence blooming early and continue for a long time, the stems branching freely and producing several clusters of bloom in succession. Four to six bulbs can be planted in a 5-inch pot. They commence growing immediately after planting and need not be put away to form roots like Hyacinths, unless it is more convenient to do so. Planting successively from September to November will give a succession of bloom through the winter. Their free growth, abundant bloom, delicate beauty and charming fragrance is a delight to all. Bulbs we supply are extra large and strong.

Purity—One of the very finest of recent Bulb Novelties. Flowers of enormous size, with thick, heavy, waxy petals that last nearly two weeks, even when cut. Flower pure snow white save one tiny yellow spot in throat, and of wonderfully beautiful shape, petals being large, rounded and well open. Unlike all other Freesias. Grand for winter-blooming in pots. Large bulbs, 5c. each; 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c.; 30 for $1.00.

Snowstorm—(Improved Refracta Alba)—Flowers of large size, beautiful shape, and borne abundantly in magnificent large sprays. Pure snow white. 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Various Colored Grandiflora—A grand new strain possessing many tints, colors and variegations. Not only are the white and yellow colors seen, but pink, orange, violet, primrose, canary and some purple shades. The flowers are of gigantic size and borne in extra large clusters. The fragrance is rich and powerful. All colors mixed. 6 for 15c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for $1.50.

Good Mixed—15c. per doz.; $1.00 per 100. All fine bulbs.

BLUE AND CARDINAL FREESIAS.

It is somewhat misleading to call these Freesias though in foliage and general habit they are similar. Treated like a Freesia they produces spikes of large, well open flowers of the most intense colors. They are very easily grown and sure to bloom in pots during winter, and are hardy enough to bloom in the open ground south of Mass.

Cardinal Freesia or Tritonia—Large wide-open blossoms of a rich cardinal red; very brilliant, and continues long in bloom. 5c. each; 4 for 15c.; 12 for 30c.

Mixed Hybrid Tritonias—All colors, crimson, orange, yellow, white, pink, striped, etc. Among these are the most brilliant and striking combinations. 20c. per doz.

Blue Freesia—(Babiana Edith)—Magnificent spikes of bloom equaled only by Gladiolus. Ultramarine blue; perfectly exquisite. 5c. each; 6 for 25c.

Oxalis.

These varieties of Oxalis are all for winter blooming. They make the most beautiful hanging pots and baskets, producing a mass of flowers all winter, which in brilliant and beautiful colors are truly charming. Winter blooming Oxalis are always sure to please. Plant five and six bulbs in a 6-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be set away to form roots like most other bulbs. They bloom during the entire winter, a thing we can expect of very few plants or bulbs, and are for that reason doubly valuable. Our bulbs are large, sound and fine.

Giant Cut-Leaved Yellow—A new Oxalis with elegant foliage and flowers of enormous size and glowing yellow. It is a superb winter bloomer and a really grand novelty.

Bermuda Buttercup—A fine, robust growing, large flowering sort. Blooms in enormous panicles, each flower being as large as a silver half-dollar and of a clear bright yellow color. Bulbs commence blooming soon after planting and continue all winter without a break.

Giant Bowi—Extra large brilliant red, with luxuriant foliage.

Versicolor—Beautiful and compact with an adundance of large pearly-white blossoms, each petal having a wide border of brilliant scarlet, a charming combination.

Price of above 5c. each; the 4 for 15c. 35c. per dozen.

Double Rosebud—This is perfectly magnificent and always comes absolutely true. No single flowers, all being large and as double and perfect as good roses. Color bright yellow, the individual blossoms being the size of a half-dollar, and borne in clusters of 4 to 10. It is one of the most magnificent blooming bulbs ever offered, plant being dwarf and compact and admirably adapted to pot culture, blooming profusely all winter. The finest double Oxalis we have ever had. Fine bulbs 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

THE GRAND DUCHESS OXALIS.

Entirely new, and there is no doubt about its being the grandest Oxalis, and one of the most beautiful and taking winter flowers it is possible to have. Blossoms immense, 3 inches across, borne well above the foliage, and of the most lovely pink color; leaves, large, clover-shaped and handsome. A most persistent bloomer, remaining constantly in flower from November to June. Surely one of the most exquisite and satisfactory of all winter-blooming bulbs.

Pink—Enormous size, bright rosy-pink.

White—Pure white. A grand contrast to the above.

Lavender—A fine large flower of a unique lavender color.

Price, the 3 for 10c.; 3 of each for 25c.; 30c. per dozen.

MIXED OXALIS.

Above sorts mixed, 25c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100.

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